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FORM 10-Q

QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the quarterly period ended June 29, 2018

OR

TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the transition period from _____ to _____

Commission File Number: 001-10212

ANIXTER INTERNATIONAL INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction of Incorporation or Organization)

94-1658138

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

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(Address and telephone number of principal executive offices in its charter)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, a smaller reporting company, or an emerging growth company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer," "smaller reporting company" and "emerging growth company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large Accelerated Filer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Accelerated Filer	<input type="checkbox"/>
Non-Accelerated Filer	<input type="checkbox"/> (Do not check if a smaller reporting company)	Smaller Reporting Company	<input type="checkbox"/>
		Emerging Growth Company	<input type="checkbox"/>

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act).
Yes No

At July 18, 2018, 33,464,293 shares of registrant's Common Stock, \$1 par value, were outstanding.

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This report may contain various “forward-looking statements” within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. These statements can be identified by the use of forward-looking terminology such as “believes”, “expects”, “intends”, “anticipates”, “contemplates”, “estimates”, “plans”, “projects”, “should”, “may”, “will” or the negative thereof or other variations thereon or comparable terminology indicating our expectations or beliefs concerning future events. We caution that such statements are qualified by important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those in the forward-looking statements, a number of which are identified in this report. Other factors could also cause actual results to differ materially from expected results included in these statements. These factors include but are not limited to general economic conditions, the level of customer demand particularly for capital projects in the markets we serve, changes in supplier or customer relationships, risks associated with nonconforming products and services, political, economic or currency risks related to non-U.S. operations, new or changed competitors, risks associated with inventory and accounts receivable, copper and commodity price fluctuations, risks associated with substantial debt and restrictions contained in financial and operating covenants in our debt agreements, capital project volumes, the impact of regulation and regulatory, investigative and legal proceedings and legal compliance risks, information security risks, the impact and the uncertainty concerning the timing and terms of the withdrawal by the United Kingdom from the European Union, unanticipated changes in our tax provision and tax liabilities related to the enactment of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act, and risks associated with the integration of acquired companies including, but not limited to, the risk that the acquisitions may not provide us with the synergies or other benefits that were anticipated.

PART I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

ITEM 1. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.

ANIXTER INTERNATIONAL INC.
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended		Six Months Ended	
	June 29, 2018	June 30, 2017	June 29, 2018	June 30, 2017
(In millions, except per share amounts)				
Net sales	\$ 2,137.9	\$ 2,001.4	\$ 4,102.1	\$ 3,897.2
Cost of goods sold	1,718.8	1,605.7	3,298.2	3,121.8
Gross profit	419.1	395.7	803.9	775.4
Operating expenses	347.8	313.1	671.0	623.9
Operating income	71.3	82.6	132.9	151.5
Other expense:				
Interest expense	(19.0)	(17.9)	(37.2)	(36.8)
Other, net	(3.3)	(0.9)	(1.0)	(1.0)
Income before income taxes	49.0	63.8	94.7	113.7
Income tax expense	14.2	23.7	27.8	42.7
Net income	\$ 34.8	\$ 40.1	\$ 66.9	\$ 71.0
Income per share:				
Basic	\$ 1.03	\$ 1.19	\$ 1.98	\$ 2.12
Diluted	\$ 1.02	\$ 1.18	\$ 1.96	\$ 2.09
Basic weighted-average common shares outstanding	33.8	33.6	33.8	33.6
Effect of dilutive securities:				
Stock options and units	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.4
Diluted weighted-average common shares outstanding	34.1	34.0	34.1	34.0
Net income	\$ 34.8	\$ 40.1	\$ 66.9	\$ 71.0
Other comprehensive (loss) income:				
Foreign currency translation	(25.8)	8.8	(29.3)	23.0
Changes in unrealized pension cost, net of tax	0.7	1.1	1.2	1.9
Other comprehensive (loss) income	(25.1)	9.9	(28.1)	24.9
Comprehensive income	\$ 9.7	\$ 50.0	\$ 38.8	\$ 95.9

See accompanying notes to the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

ANIXTER INTERNATIONAL INC.
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

	<u>(Unaudited)</u>	<u>December 29,</u>
	<u>June 29,</u>	<u>2017</u>
(In millions, except share and per share amounts)	2018	2017
ASSETS		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 110.4	\$ 116.0
Accounts receivable, net	1,558.2	1,434.2
Inventories	1,269.0	1,238.7
Other current assets	42.9	44.9
Total current assets	2,980.5	2,833.8
Property and equipment, at cost	402.3	376.9
Accumulated depreciation	(236.4)	(222.6)
Property and equipment, net	165.9	154.3
Goodwill	833.6	778.1
Intangible assets, net	414.7	378.8
Other assets	106.8	107.2
Total assets	\$ 4,501.5	\$ 4,252.2
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable	\$ 1,193.4	\$ 1,081.6
Accrued expenses	268.9	269.2
Current portion of long-term debt	349.0	—
Total current liabilities	1,811.3	1,350.8
Long-term debt	986.6	1,247.9
Other liabilities	196.2	194.5
Total liabilities	2,994.1	2,793.2
Stockholders' equity:		
Common stock - \$1.00 par value, 100,000,000 shares authorized, 33,823,888 and 33,657,466 shares issued and outstanding at June 29, 2018 and December 29, 2017, respectively	33.8	33.7
Capital surplus	288.2	278.7
Retained earnings	1,423.8	1,356.9
Accumulated other comprehensive loss:		
Foreign currency translation	(152.5)	(123.2)
Unrecognized pension liability, net	(85.9)	(87.1)
Total accumulated other comprehensive loss	(238.4)	(210.3)
Total stockholders' equity	1,507.4	1,459.0
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 4,501.5	\$ 4,252.2

See accompanying notes to the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

ANIXTER INTERNATIONAL INC.
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
(Unaudited)

	Six Months Ended	
	June 29, 2018	June 30, 2017
(In millions)		
Operating activities:		
Net income	\$ 66.9	\$ 71.0
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Depreciation	15.1	14.1
Amortization of intangible assets	19.0	18.0
Stock-based compensation	11.8	8.9
Deferred income taxes	(0.4)	0.8
Accretion of debt discount	1.2	1.1
Amortization of deferred financing costs	0.8	1.1
Pension plan contributions	(4.3)	(8.5)
Pension plan expenses	2.2	5.1
Changes in current assets and liabilities, net	(44.5)	26.7
Other, net	1.5	(1.2)
Net cash provided by operating activities	69.3	137.1
Investing activities:		
Acquisitions of businesses, net of cash acquired	(149.9)	—
Capital expenditures, net	(24.5)	(20.8)
Other	4.1	—
Net cash used in investing activities	(170.3)	(20.8)
Financing activities:		
Proceeds from borrowings	1,138.8	895.7
Repayments of borrowings	(1,049.7)	(909.5)
Repayments of Canadian term loan	—	(38.7)
Proceeds from stock options exercised	1.1	2.6
Other, net	—	(0.2)
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	90.2	(50.1)
(Decrease) increase in cash and cash equivalents	(10.8)	66.2
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash balances	5.2	(3.3)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	116.0	115.1
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$ 110.4	\$ 178.0

See accompanying notes to the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

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NOTES TO THE UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of presentation: The unaudited interim Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements of Anixter International Inc. and its subsidiaries (collectively referred to as "Anixter" or the "Company"), sometimes referred to in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q as "we", "our", "us", or "ourselves" have been prepared pursuant to the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC"). Therefore, certain information and disclosures normally included in financial statements and related notes prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("U.S. GAAP") have been condensed or omitted. Certain prior period amounts have been reclassified to conform to the current year presentation.

These financial statements should be read in conjunction with, and have been prepared in conformity with, the accounting principles reflected in the consolidated financial statements and related notes included in Anixter's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 29, 2017 ("2017 Form 10-K"). The condensed consolidated financial information furnished herein reflects all adjustments (consisting of normal recurring accruals), which are, in the opinion of management, necessary for a fair presentation of the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements for the periods shown.

The Company maintains its financial records on the basis of a fiscal year ending on the Friday nearest December 31, with the fiscal quarters spanning thirteen weeks, with the first quarter ending on the Friday of the first thirteen-week period. The second quarter of fiscal year 2018 ended on June 29, 2018, and the second quarter of fiscal year 2017 ended on June 30, 2017.

Recently issued and adopted accounting pronouncements: In May 2014, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued Accounting Standards Update ("ASU") 2014-09, *Revenue from Contracts with Customers*, and issued subsequent amendments to the initial guidance in August 2015, March 2016, April 2016, May 2016 and December 2016 within ASU 2015-14, ASU 2016-08, ASU 2016-10, ASU 2016-12 and ASU 2016-20, respectively. The core principle of this new revenue recognition guidance is that a company will recognize revenue when promised goods or services are transferred to customers in an amount that reflects the consideration to which the company expects to be entitled in exchange for those goods or services. The new guidance defines a five-step process to achieve this core principle. The new guidance also requires more detailed disclosures to enable users of financial statements to understand the nature, amount, timing, and uncertainty of revenue and cash flows arising from contracts with customers. The new guidance provides for two transition methods, a full retrospective approach and a modified retrospective approach. Anixter adopted the new revenue recognition guidance on December 30, 2017 utilizing the modified retrospective method of adoption for contracts not completed at the adoption date, and determined there were no changes required to its reported revenues as a result of the adoption. The Company has enhanced its disclosures of revenue to comply with the new guidance.

In January 2017, the FASB issued ASU 2017-01, *Business Combinations: Clarifying the Definition of a Business*, which adds guidance to assist entities with evaluating whether transactions should be accounted for as acquisitions (or disposals) of assets or businesses. The standard was effective for Anixter's financial statements issued for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2017, and interim periods within those fiscal years. The Company adopted this standard effective the first quarter of fiscal year 2018. The result of this adoption did not have a material impact on the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

In March 2017, the FASB issued ASU 2017-07, *Compensation - Retirement Benefits: Improving the Presentation of Net Periodic Pension Cost and Net Periodic Postretirement Benefit Cost*, which changes how employers that sponsor defined benefit pension or other postretirement benefit plans present the net periodic benefit cost in the income statement. The new guidance requires entities to report the service cost component in the same line item as other compensation costs. The other components of net benefit cost are required to be presented in the income statement separately from the service cost component outside of income from operations. The standard was effective for Anixter's financial statements issued for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2017, and interim periods within those fiscal years. Upon adoption, ASU 2017-07 required changes to the presentation of the income statement to be applied retrospectively. The Company adopted this standard effective the first quarter of fiscal year 2018. Service costs are recognized within "Operating expenses" in the Condensed Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income. All other components of net benefit costs are recorded in "Other, net" in the Company's Condensed Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income. The result of this adoption did not have a material impact on the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

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In May 2017, the FASB issued ASU 2017-09, *Compensation - Stock Compensation: Scope of Modification Accounting*, which clarifies when changes to the terms or conditions of a share-based payment award must be accounted for as modifications. Under the new guidance, modification accounting is required only if the fair value, the vesting conditions, or the classification of the award changes as a result of the change in terms or conditions. ASU 2017-09 was applied prospectively to awards modified on or after the adoption date. The standard was effective for Anixter's financial statements issued for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2017, and interim periods within those fiscal years. The Company adopted this standard effective the first quarter of fiscal year 2018. The result of this adoption did not have a material impact on the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

Recently issued accounting pronouncements not yet adopted: In February 2016, the FASB issued ASU 2016-02, *Leases*, which requires lessees to recognize assets and liabilities on the balance sheet for the rights and obligations created by all leases with terms of more than 12 months. The standard is effective for Anixter's financial statements issued for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2018, and interim periods within those fiscal years. The Company anticipates adopting the new lease guidance in the first quarter of its fiscal year 2019. The Company has established an implementation team and is implementing a new lease accounting information system. While the Company is currently evaluating the impact of adoption of this ASU, the adoption is expected to result in a material increase in the assets and liabilities recorded on the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets.

In June 2016, the FASB issued ASU 2016-13, *Financial Instruments - Credit Losses*, which requires the measurement of expected credit losses for financial instruments held at the reporting date based on historical experience, current conditions and reasonable forecasts. The main objective of this ASU is to provide financial statement users with more decision-useful information about the expected credit losses on financial instruments and other commitments to extend credit held by a reporting entity at each reporting date. The standard is effective for Anixter's financial statements issued for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2019, and interim periods within those fiscal years. Early adoption is permitted for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2018, and interim periods within those fiscal years. The Company is currently evaluating the impact of adoption of this ASU, but it is not expected to have a material effect on the Company's Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

In January 2017, the FASB issued ASU 2017-04, *Intangibles - Goodwill and Other: Simplifying the Test for Goodwill Impairment*, which removes step two from the goodwill impairment test. Step two measures a goodwill impairment loss by comparing the implied fair value of a reporting unit's goodwill with the carrying amount of that goodwill. The new guidance requires an entity to perform its goodwill impairment test by comparing the fair value of a reporting unit with its carrying amount, including goodwill. The standard is effective for Anixter's financial statements issued for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2019. Early adoption is permitted for interim or annual goodwill impairment tests performed on testing dates after January 1, 2017. The Company is currently assessing the impact the adoption of this ASU will have on its methodology for evaluating goodwill for impairment subsequent to adoption of this standard.

In February 2018, the FASB issued ASU 2018-02, *Income Statement - Reporting Comprehensive Income (Topic 220): Reclassification of Certain Tax Effects from Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income*, which will allow a reclassification from accumulated other comprehensive income to retained earnings for the tax effects resulting from the December 22, 2017 enactment of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act (the "Act") that are stranded in accumulated other comprehensive income. The standard is effective for Anixter's financial statements issued for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2018, and interim periods within those fiscal years. Early adoption is permitted. The Company is currently evaluating the impact of adoption of this ASU on its Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

In June 2018, the FASB issued ASU 2018-07, *Compensation - Stock Compensation (Topic 718): Improvements to Nonemployee Share-Based Payment Accounting*, which will expand the scope of Topic 718 to include share-based payment transactions for acquiring goods and services from nonemployees. The standard is effective for Anixter's financial statements issued for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2018, and interim periods within those fiscal years. Early adoption is permitted. The Company is currently evaluating the impact of adoption of this ASU on its Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

The Company does not believe that any other recently issued, but not yet effective, accounting pronouncements, if adopted, would have a material impact on its Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements or disclosures.

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NOTES TO THE UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS – (Continued)

Revenue recognition : Anixter is a leading global distributor of network and security solutions, electrical and electronic solutions and utility power solutions. Through a global distribution network along with supply chain and technical expertise, Anixter helps customers reduce the risk, cost and complexity of their supply chains. Anixter is a leader in providing advanced inventory management services including procurement, just-in-time delivery, material management programs, turn-key yard layout and management, quality assurance testing, advisory engineering services, component kit production, storm/event kitting, small component assembly and e-commerce and electronic data interchange to a broad spectrum of customers with over 600,000 products. From enterprise networks to industrial MRO supply to video surveillance applications to electric power distribution, Anixter offers full-line solutions, and intelligence, that create reliable, resilient systems that sustain businesses and communities. Revenue arrangements primarily consist of a single performance obligation to transfer promised goods or services. See Note 8. "Business Segments" for revenue disaggregated by geography.

Sales to customers and related cost of sales are primarily recognized at the point in time when control of goods transfers to the customer. For product sales, this generally occurs upon shipment of the products, however, this may occur at a later date depending on the agreed upon sales terms, such as delivery at the customer's designated location, or based on consignment terms. In instances where goods are not stocked by Anixter and delivery times are critical, product is purchased from the manufacturer and drop-shipped to the customer. Anixter generally takes control of the goods when shipped by the manufacturer and then recognizes revenue when control of the product transfers to the customer. When providing services, sales are recognized over time as control transfers to the customer, which occurs as services are rendered.

Revenue is measured as the amount of consideration the Company expects to receive in exchange for transferring goods or providing services. The Company estimates different forms of variable consideration at the time of sale based on historical experience, current conditions and contractual obligations. Revenue is recorded net of customer discounts, rebates and similar charges. When Anixter offers the right to return product, historical experience is utilized to establish a liability for the estimate of expected returns. Sales and other tax amounts collected from customers for remittance to governmental authorities are excluded from revenue. The Company has elected to treat shipping and handling as a fulfillment activity. The practical expedient not to disclose information about remaining performance obligations has also been elected as these contracts have an original duration of one year or less or are contracts where the Company has applied the practical expedient to recognize service revenue in proportion to the amount Anixter has the right to invoice. The Company typically receives payment 30 to 60 days from the point it has satisfied the related performance obligation.

At December 29, 2017 , \$9.5 million of deferred revenue related to outstanding contracts was reported in "Accrued expenses" in the Company's Consolidated Balance Sheet . This balance primarily represents prepayments from customers. During the three and six months ended June 29, 2018, \$1.1 million and \$5.4 million , respectively, of this deferred revenue was recognized. At June 29, 2018 , deferred revenue was \$11.3 million . The Company expects to recognize this balance as revenue within the next twelve months.

Other, net: The following represents the components of "Other, net" as reflected in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income:

(In millions)	Three Months Ended		Six Months Ended	
	June 29, 2018	June 30, 2017	June 29, 2018	June 30, 2017
Other, net:				
Foreign exchange	\$ (3.9)	\$ (1.3)	\$ (3.7)	\$ (2.0)
Cash surrender value of life insurance policies	0.4	0.5	(0.2)	1.1
Net periodic pension benefit	1.0	0.1	2.6	0.2
Other	(0.8)	(0.2)	0.3	(0.3)
Total other, net	\$ (3.3)	\$ (0.9)	\$ (1.0)	\$ (1.0)

Several of Anixter's subsidiaries conduct business in a currency other than the legal entity's functional currency. Transactions may produce receivables or payables that are fixed in terms of the amount of foreign currency that will be received or paid. A change in exchange rates between the functional currency and the currency in which a transaction is denominated increases or decreases the expected amount of functional currency cash flows upon settlement of the transaction. The increase or decrease in expected functional currency cash flows is a foreign currency transaction gain or loss that is included in "Other, net" in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income.

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The Company purchases foreign currency forward contracts to minimize the effect of fluctuating foreign currency-denominated accounts on its reported income. The foreign currency forward contracts are not designated as hedges for accounting purposes. The Company's strategy is to negotiate terms for its derivatives and other financial instruments to be highly effective, such that the change in the value of the derivative offsets the impact of the underlying hedged item (e.g., various foreign currency-denominated accounts). Its counterparties to foreign currency forward contracts have investment-grade credit ratings. Anixter expects the creditworthiness of its counterparties to remain intact through the term of the transactions. The Company regularly monitors the creditworthiness of its counterparties to ensure no issues exist which could affect the value of the derivatives.

The Company does not hedge 100% of its foreign currency-denominated accounts. In addition, the results of hedging can vary significantly based on various factors, such as the timing of executing the foreign currency forward contracts versus the movement of the currencies as well as the fluctuations in the account balances throughout each reporting period. The fair value of the foreign currency forward contracts is based on the difference between the contract rate and the current exchange rate. The fair value of the foreign currency forward contracts is measured using observable market information. These inputs would be considered Level 2 in the fair value hierarchy. At June 29, 2018 and December 29, 2017, foreign currency forward contracts were revalued at then-current foreign exchange rates with the changes in valuation reflected directly in "Other, net" in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income offsetting the transaction gain/loss recorded on the foreign currency-denominated accounts. At June 29, 2018 and December 29, 2017, the gross notional amount of the foreign currency forward contracts outstanding was approximately \$188.2 million and \$246.3 million, respectively. At June 29, 2018 and December 29, 2017, the net notional amount of the foreign currency forward contracts outstanding was approximately \$74.0 million and \$125.7 million, respectively. While all of the Company's foreign currency forward contracts are subject to master netting arrangements with its counterparties, assets and liabilities related to derivative instruments are presented on a gross basis within the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets. The gross fair value of derivative assets and liabilities are immaterial.

The combined effect of changes in both the equity and bond markets resulted in changes in the cash surrender value of the Company's company owned life insurance policies associated with the sponsored deferred compensation program.

Accumulated other comprehensive loss: Unrealized gains and losses are accumulated in "Accumulated other comprehensive loss" ("AOCI"). These changes are also reported in "Other comprehensive (loss) income" on the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income. These include unrealized gains and losses related to the Company's defined benefit obligations and foreign currency translation. See Note 6. "Pension Plans" for pension related amounts reclassified into net income.

Investments in several subsidiaries are recorded in currencies other than the U.S. dollar ("USD"). As these foreign currency denominated investments are translated at the end of each period during consolidation using period-end exchange rates, fluctuations of exchange rates between the foreign currency and the USD increase or decrease the value of those investments. These fluctuations and the results of operations for foreign subsidiaries, where the functional currency is not the USD, are translated into USD using the average exchange rates during the periods reported, while the assets and liabilities are translated using period-end exchange rates. The assets and liabilities-related translation adjustments are recorded as a separate component of AOCI, "Foreign currency translation." In addition, as Anixter's subsidiaries maintain investments denominated in currencies other than local currencies, exchange rate fluctuations will occur. Borrowings are raised in certain foreign currencies to minimize the exchange rate translation adjustment risk.

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NOTES TO THE UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS – (Continued)

NOTE 2. RESTRUCTURING CHARGES

The Company considers restructuring activities to be programs whereby Anixter fundamentally changes its operations, such as closing and consolidating facilities, reducing headcount and realigning operations in response to changing market conditions. The following table summarizes activity related to liabilities associated with restructuring activities:

	Restructuring Activity					
	Q2 2018 Plan		Q2 2016 Plan		Q4 2015 Plan	Total
	Employee-Related Costs (a)	Facility Exit and Other Costs (b)	Employee-Related Costs (a)	Facility Exit and Other Costs (b)	Employee-Related Costs (a)	Employee-Related Costs (a) Facility Exit and Other Costs (b)
Balance at December 29, 2017	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 0.5	\$ 0.5	\$ 0.6	\$ 1.1 \$ 0.5
Charges	9.6	0.3	—	(0.4)	(0.3)	9.3 (0.1)
Payments and other	(0.3)	—	(0.5)	(0.1)	—	(0.8) (0.1)
Balance at June 29, 2018	\$ 9.3	\$ 0.3	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 0.3	\$ 9.6 \$ 0.3

(a) Employee-related costs primarily consist of severance benefits provided to employees who have been involuntarily terminated.

(b) Facility exit and other costs primarily consist of lease termination costs.

Q2 2018 Restructuring Plan

In the second quarter of 2018, the Company recorded a pre-tax charge of \$2.1 million, \$1.3 million and \$1.1 million in its NSS, EES and UPS segments, respectively, and an additional \$5.4 million at our corporate headquarters, primarily for severance-related expenses associated with a reduction of approximately 260 positions. The \$9.9 million charge primarily reflects actions related to facilities consolidation, systems integration and back office functions. This charge was included in "Operating expenses" in the Company's Condensed Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income in the second quarter of 2018. The majority of the remaining charge included in accrued expenses of \$9.6 million as of June 29, 2018 is expected to be paid by the fourth quarter of 2019.

NOTE 3. DEBT

Debt is summarized below:

(In millions)	June 29, 2018	December 29, 2017
Current portion of long-term debt:		
5.625% Senior notes due 2019	\$ 349.0	\$ —
Long-term debt:		
5.50% Senior notes due 2023	347.1	346.8
5.125% Senior notes due 2021	396.9	396.5
5.625% Senior notes due 2019	—	348.6
Revolving lines of credit	245.3	159.0
Other	1.2	1.7
Unamortized deferred financing costs	(3.9)	(4.7)
Total debt	\$ 1,335.6	\$ 1,247.9

The Senior notes due 2019 will mature on May 1, 2019, and have been classified as current on the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet at June 29, 2018.

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NOTES TO THE UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS – (Continued)

Fair Value of Debt

The fair value of Anixter's debt instruments is measured using observable market information which would be considered Level 2 in the fair value hierarchy described in accounting guidance on fair value measurements. The Company's fixed-rate debt consists of Senior notes due 2023, Senior notes due 2021 and Senior notes due 2019.

At June 29, 2018, the Company's total carrying value and estimated fair value of debt outstanding was \$1,335.6 million and \$1,369.3 million, respectively. This compares to a carrying value and estimated fair value of debt outstanding at December 29, 2017 of \$1,247.9 million and \$1,317.8 million, respectively. The increase in the carrying value and estimated fair value is primarily due to higher outstanding borrowings under Anixter's revolving lines of credit.

NOTE 4. LEGAL CONTINGENCIES

From time to time, Anixter is party to legal proceedings and matters that arise in the ordinary course of business. As of June 29, 2018, the Company does not believe there is a reasonable possibility that any material loss exceeding the amounts already recognized for these proceedings and matters has been incurred. However, the ultimate resolutions of these proceedings and matters are inherently unpredictable. As such, the Company's financial condition and results of operations could be adversely affected in any particular period by the unfavorable resolution of one or more of these proceedings or matters.

NOTE 5. INCOME TAXES

The Company's effective tax rate for the second quarter of 2018 was 29.0% compared to 37.2% in the prior year period. The current year period included a \$1.8 million tax benefit related to the reversal of deferred income tax valuation allowances, partially offset by \$0.5 million of tax expense related to domestic permanent tax differences. The Company's effective tax rate for the six months ended June 29, 2018 was 29.4% compared to 37.6% in the prior year period. The decrease was primarily due to a favorable tax impact from the December 22, 2017 Tax Cuts and Jobs Act (the "Act"). Under the Act, the statutory U.S. federal tax rate was reduced from 35% to 21% effective January 1, 2018. The benefit from this rate reduction was partially offset by other newly enacted tax provisions.

In the fourth quarter of 2017, the Company recorded a provisional \$50.0 million one-time transition tax. At June 29, 2018, the Company has not completed its accounting for the tax effects of the Act and has not made adjustments to the provisional amount recorded.

The Act subjects U.S. shareholders to tax on Global Intangible Low-Taxed Income ("GILTI") earned by certain foreign subsidiaries. The Company is electing to recognize the tax on GILTI as a period expense in the period the tax is incurred. Under this policy, the Company has not provided deferred taxes related to temporary differences that upon their reversal will affect the amount of income subject to GILTI in the period.

Anixter considers the undistributed earnings of its foreign subsidiaries to be indefinitely reinvested. Upon distribution of those earnings in the form of dividends or otherwise, Anixter may be subject to withholding taxes payable to the various foreign countries.

NOTE 6. PENSION PLANS

The Company's defined benefit pension plans are the plans in the U.S., which consist of the Anixter Inc. Pension Plan, the Executive Benefit Plan and the Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan ("SERP") (together the "Domestic Plans") and various defined benefit pension plans covering employees of foreign subsidiaries in Canada and Europe (together the "Foreign Plans"). The majority of these defined benefit pension plans are non-contributory and, with the exception of the U.S., cover substantially all full-time domestic employees and certain employees in other countries. Retirement benefits are provided based on compensation as defined in both the Domestic Plans and the Foreign Plans. The Company's policy is to fund all Domestic Plans as required by the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 ("ERISA") and the IRS and all Foreign Plans as required by applicable foreign laws. The Executive Benefit Plan and SERP are the only two plans that are unfunded. Assets in the various plans consist primarily of equity securities and fixed income investments.

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Components of net periodic pension (benefit) cost are as follows:

(In millions)	Three Months Ended					
	Domestic Plans		Foreign Plans		Total	
	June 29, 2018	June 30, 2017	June 29, 2018	June 30, 2017	June 29, 2018	June 30, 2017
<i>Recorded in operating expenses:</i>						
Service cost	\$ 0.6	\$ 1.2	\$ 1.4	\$ 1.4	\$ 2.0	\$ 2.6
<i>Recorded in other, net:</i>						
Interest cost	\$ 2.5	\$ 2.7	\$ 1.8	\$ 1.7	\$ 4.3	\$ 4.4
Expected return on plan assets	(3.7)	(3.8)	(2.5)	(2.1)	(6.2)	(5.9)
Net amortization ^(a)	0.2	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.9	1.4
Total recorded in other, net	\$ (1.0)	\$ (0.4)	\$ —	\$ 0.3	\$ (1.0)	\$ (0.1)
Total net periodic pension (benefit) cost	\$ (0.4)	\$ 0.8	\$ 1.4	\$ 1.7	\$ 1.0	\$ 2.5

(a) Reclassified from AOCI.

(In millions)	Six Months Ended					
	Domestic Plans		Foreign Plans		Total	
	June 29, 2018	June 30, 2017	June 29, 2018	June 30, 2017	June 29, 2018	June 30, 2017
<i>Recorded in operating expenses:</i>						
Service cost	\$ 1.8	\$ 2.4	\$ 3.0	\$ 2.9	\$ 4.8	\$ 5.3
<i>Recorded in other, net:</i>						
Interest cost	\$ 5.1	\$ 5.5	\$ 3.5	\$ 3.4	\$ 8.6	\$ 8.9
Expected return on plan assets	(8.0)	(7.5)	(5.0)	(4.3)	(13.0)	(11.8)
Net amortization ^(a)	0.3	1.2	1.5	1.5	1.8	2.7
Total recorded in other, net	\$ (2.6)	\$ (0.8)	\$ —	\$ 0.6	\$ (2.6)	\$ (0.2)
Total net periodic pension (benefit) cost	\$ (0.8)	\$ 1.6	\$ 3.0	\$ 3.5	\$ 2.2	\$ 5.1

(a) Reclassified from AOCI.

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NOTE 7. STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY

At the end of the second quarter of 2018, there were 1.7 million shares reserved for issuance under the 2017 Stock Incentive Plan. Under such plan, the Company pays non-employee directors annual retainer fees and, at their election, meeting fees in the form of stock units. Employee and director stock units are included in common stock outstanding on the date of vesting, and stock options are included in common stock outstanding upon exercise by the participant. The fair value of employee stock units is amortized over the respective vesting period representing the requisite service period, generally three, four or six years. Director stock units are expensed in the period in which they are granted, as these vest immediately. The employee performance-based restricted stock units ("performance units") are issued on the third anniversary of the grant date based on the Company's total shareholder return ("TSR") relative to the TSR of the S&P Mid Cap 400 index. The fair value of each performance unit tranche is estimated using the Monte Carlo Simulation pricing model at the date of grant.

During the three months ended June 29, 2018, the Company did not grant stock units to employees. During the six months ended June 29, 2018, the Company granted 182,738 stock units to employees, with a weighted-average grant-date fair value of \$13.7 million. During the three months ended June 29, 2018, the Company did not issue performance units to employees. During the six months ended June 29, 2018, the Company granted 35,868 performance units to employees, with a weighted-average grant-date fair value of \$3.0 million. During the three and six months ended June 29, 2018, the Company included additional stock compensation expense of \$2.6 million related to the entry into a retirement agreement with the recently retired Chief Executive Officer ("CEO"), which extended the terms of his non-competition and non-solicitation restrictions in exchange for extended vesting and termination provisions of previously granted equity awards.

During the three and six months ended June 29, 2018, the Company granted directors 7,932 and 16,038 stock units, respectively, with a weighted-average grant-date fair value of \$0.6 million and \$1.2 million, respectively.

Antidilutive stock options and units are excluded from the calculation of weighted-average shares for diluted earnings per share. For the second quarter of 2018 and 2017, the antidilutive stock options and units were immaterial.

NOTE 8. BUSINESS SEGMENTS

Anixter is a leading distributor of enterprise cabling and security solutions, electrical and electronic wire and cable solutions and utility power solutions. The Company has identified Network & Security Solutions ("NSS"), Electrical & Electronic Solutions ("EES") and Utility Power Solutions ("UPS") as reportable segments.

Corporate expenses are incurred to obtain and coordinate financing, tax, information technology, legal and other related services, certain of which were rebilled to subsidiaries. The Company also has various corporate assets which are reported in corporate. Segment assets may or may not include jointly used assets, but segment results include depreciation expense or other allocations related to those assets as such allocation is made for internal reporting. Interest expense and other non-operating items are not allocated to the segments or reviewed on a segment basis.

The categorization of net sales by end market is determined using a variety of data points including the technical characteristic of the product, the "sold to" customer information, the "ship to" customer information and the end customer product or application into which product will be incorporated. Anixter also has largely specialized its sales organization by segment. As data systems for capturing and tracking this data evolve and improve, the categorization of products by end market can vary over time. When this occurs, the Company reclassifies net sales by end market for prior periods. Such reclassifications typically do not materially change the sizing of, or the underlying trends of results within, each end market.

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Segment Financial Information

Segment information for the three and six months ended June 29, 2018 and June 30, 2017 are as follows:

(in millions)					
Second Quarter of 2018					
	NSS	EES	UPS	Corporate	Total
Net Sales	\$ 1,096.3	\$ 605.6	\$ 436.0	\$ —	\$ 2,137.9
Operating income	66.1	35.6	17.9	(48.3)	71.3
Second Quarter of 2017					
	NSS	EES	UPS	Corporate	Total
Net Sales	\$ 1,029.4	\$ 561.5	\$ 410.5	\$ —	\$ 2,001.4
Operating income	64.9	29.6	21.3	(33.2)	82.6
Six Months of 2018					
	NSS	EES	UPS	Corporate	Total
Net Sales	\$ 2,091.1	\$ 1,174.0	\$ 837.0	\$ —	\$ 4,102.1
Operating income	119.6	67.0	34.3	(88.0)	132.9
Six Months of 2017					
	NSS	EES	UPS	Corporate	Total
Net Sales	\$ 2,014.3	\$ 1,088.9	\$ 794.0	\$ —	\$ 3,897.2
Operating income	126.7	57.5	37.5	(70.2)	151.5

Geographic Information

The following tables summarize net sales by geographic areas for the three and six months ended June 29, 2018 and June 30, 2017 :

(In millions)	Three Months Ended	
	June 29, 2018	June 30, 2017
Net sales		
North America	\$ 1,762.5	\$ 1,669.2
EMEA	173.0	150.3
Emerging Markets	202.4	181.9
Total net sales	\$ 2,137.9	\$ 2,001.4

(In millions)	Six Months Ended	
	June 29, 2018	June 30, 2017
Net sales		
North America	\$ 3,374.9	\$ 3,236.9
EMEA	341.6	305.7
Emerging Markets	385.6	354.6
Total net sales	\$ 4,102.1	\$ 3,897.2

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Goodwill Assigned to Segments

The following table presents the changes in goodwill allocated to the Company's reporting units during the six months ended June 29, 2018 :

(In millions)	NSS	EES	UPS	Total
Balance as of December 29, 2017	\$ 408.8	\$ 181.7	\$ 187.6	\$ 778.1
Acquisition related ^(a)	67.2	—	—	67.2
Foreign currency translation	(4.9)	(0.5)	(6.3)	(11.7)
Balance as of June 29, 2018	\$ 471.1	\$ 181.2	\$ 181.3	\$ 833.6

(a) In the second quarter of 2018, the Company completed the acquisition of security businesses in Australia and New Zealand for \$149.9 million, including a preliminary net working capital adjustment of \$4.6 million. The transaction was financed primarily from borrowings under the revolving lines of credit. The purchase price was preliminarily allocated to \$37.1 million of working capital and \$60.4 million of intangible assets. Acquisition costs were \$2.3 million. Second quarter results include approximately \$10.6 million of sales from the acquired entities. The purchase price allocation is pending finalization, and is expected to be completed in early 2019.

NOTE 9. SUMMARIZED FINANCIAL INFORMATION OF ANIXTER INC.

Anixter International Inc. guarantees, fully and unconditionally, substantially all of the debt of its subsidiaries, which include Anixter Inc., its 100% owned primary operating subsidiary. Anixter International Inc. has no independent assets or operations and all subsidiaries other than Anixter Inc. are minor. The following summarizes the financial information for Anixter Inc.:

**ANIXTER INC.
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS**

(In millions)	June 29, 2018	December 29, 2017
Assets:		
Current assets	\$ 2,979.8	\$ 2,833.5
Property, equipment and capital leases, net	172.2	161.3
Goodwill	833.6	778.1
Intangible assets, net	414.7	378.8
Other assets	106.8	107.2
	\$ 4,507.1	\$ 4,258.9
Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity:		
Current liabilities	\$ 1,812.6	\$ 1,351.9
Long-term debt	996.0	1,257.7
Other liabilities	194.2	192.9
Stockholder's equity	1,504.3	1,456.4
	\$ 4,507.1	\$ 4,258.9

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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME AND COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

(In millions)	Three Months Ended		Six Months Ended	
	June 29, 2018	June 30, 2017	June 29, 2018	June 30, 2017
Net sales	\$ 2,137.9	\$ 2,001.4	\$ 4,102.1	\$ 3,897.2
Operating income	\$ 73.2	\$ 84.5	\$ 136.4	\$ 155.0
Income before income taxes	\$ 50.6	\$ 65.4	\$ 97.7	\$ 116.7
Net income	\$ 36.4	\$ 41.2	\$ 69.9	\$ 72.9
Comprehensive income	\$ 11.3	\$ 51.0	\$ 41.8	\$ 97.7

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ITEM 2. MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS.

The following is a discussion of our financial condition and results of operations for the three and six months ended June 29, 2018 as compared to the corresponding period in the prior year. This discussion should be read in conjunction with the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements, including the related notes, set forth in this report under "Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements" and our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 29, 2017.

Second Quarter and Year-to-Date 2018 and 2017 Consolidated Results of Operations

(In millions, except per share amounts)

	Three Months Ended		Six Months Ended	
	June 29, 2018	June 30, 2017	June 29, 2018	June 30, 2017
Net sales	\$ 2,137.9	\$ 2,001.4	\$ 4,102.1	\$ 3,897.2
Gross profit	419.1	395.7	803.9	775.4
Operating expenses	347.8	313.1	671.0	623.9
Operating income	71.3	82.6	132.9	151.5
Other expense:				
Interest expense	(19.0)	(17.9)	(37.2)	(36.8)
Other, net	(3.3)	(0.9)	(1.0)	(1.0)
Income before income taxes	49.0	63.8	94.7	113.7
Income tax expense	14.2	23.7	27.8	42.7
Net income	34.8	40.1	66.9	71.0
Diluted income per share	\$ 1.02	\$ 1.18	\$ 1.96	\$ 2.09

Executive Overview

Second Quarter Highlights

We delivered second quarter sales of \$2.1 billion, up 6.8% compared to the prior year, with growth in all segments and geographies. Network and Security Solutions ("NSS"), Electrical and Electronic Solutions ("EES") and Utility Power Solutions ("UPS") sales increased 6.5%, 7.9%, and 6.2%, respectively. Reflecting broad strength across the business, we delivered overall organic sales growth of 4.9%, reflecting organic growth in our NSS, EES and UPS segments of 4.7%, 4.7% and 5.8%, respectively.

Strategy Update and Business Outlook

As we look ahead to the third quarter and full year, we are optimistic that sales growth will continue, reflecting momentum across the business and indications that our large project business is in the early stages of a recovery. We remain focused on key growth strategies, which include security, wireless and professional audio video, as well as in global and complex supply chain opportunities. While profitability continues to be impacted by inflationary pressures, including increased freight expense, we have implemented actions to drive gross margin improvement and initiated a restructuring action which will result in a more competitive cost structure.

During the second quarter, we completed the acquisition of security businesses in Australia and New Zealand. We expect these acquisitions to be accretive to earnings in the first full year of operation, exclusive of transaction and integration costs.

Items Impacting Comparability of Results

In addition to the results provided in accordance with U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles ("U.S. GAAP") above, this report includes certain non-GAAP financial measures as defined by the Securities and Exchange Commission. Specifically, net sales comparisons to the prior corresponding period, both worldwide and in relevant segments, are discussed in this report both on a U.S. GAAP and non-GAAP basis. We believe that by providing non-GAAP organic growth, which adjusts for the impact of acquisitions (when applicable), foreign exchange fluctuations, copper prices and the number of billing days, both management and investors are provided with meaningful supplemental sales information to understand and analyze our underlying trends and other aspects of our financial performance. Historically, and from time to time, we may also exclude other items from reported financial results (e.g., impairment charges, inventory adjustments, restructuring charges, tax items, currency devaluations, pension settlements, etc.) in presenting adjusted operating expense, adjusted operating income, adjusted income taxes and adjusted net income so that both management and financial statement users can use these non-GAAP financial measures to better understand and evaluate our performance period over period, and to analyze the underlying trends of our business. We have also excluded amortization of intangible assets associated with purchase accounting from acquisitions from the adjusted amounts for comparison of the non-GAAP financial measures period over period.

EBITDA is defined as net income from continuing operations before interest, income taxes, depreciation and amortization. Adjusted EBITDA is defined as EBITDA before foreign exchange and other non-operating expense and non-cash stock-based compensation, excluding the other items from reported financial results, as defined above. We believe that adjusted operating income, EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA provide relevant and useful information, which is widely used by analysts, investors and competitors in our industry as well as by our management in assessing both consolidated and business segment performance. Adjusted operating income provides an understanding of the results from the primary operations of our business by excluding the effects of certain items that do not reflect the ordinary earnings of our operations. We use adjusted operating income to evaluate our period over period operating performance because we believe this provides a more comparable measure of our continuing business excluding certain items that are not reflective of expected ongoing operations. This measure may be useful to an investor in evaluating the underlying performance of our business. EBITDA provides us with an understanding of earnings before the impact of investing and financing charges and income taxes. Adjusted EBITDA further excludes the effects of foreign exchange and other non-cash stock-based compensation, and certain items that do not reflect the ordinary earnings of our operations and that are also excluded for purposes of calculating adjusted net income, adjusted earnings per share and adjusted operating income. EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA are used by our management for various purposes including as measures of performance of our operating entities and as a basis for strategic planning and forecasting. Adjusted EBITDA may be useful to an investor because this measure is widely used to evaluate a company's operating performance without regard to items excluded from the calculation of such measure, which can vary substantially from company to company depending on the accounting methods, book value of assets, capital structure and the method by which the assets were acquired, among other factors. They are not, however, intended as an alternative measure of operating results or cash flow from operations as determined in accordance with U.S. GAAP.

Non-GAAP financial measures provide insight into selected financial information and should be evaluated in the context in which they are presented. These non-GAAP financial measures have limitations as analytical tools, and should not be considered in isolation from, or as a substitute for, financial information presented in compliance with U.S. GAAP, and non-GAAP financial measures as reported by us may not be comparable to similarly titled amounts reported by other companies. The non-GAAP financial measures should be considered in conjunction with the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements, including the related notes, and Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations included in this report. Management does not use these non-GAAP financial measures for any purpose other than the reasons stated above.

Our operating results can be affected by changes in prices of commodities, primarily copper, which are components in some of the electrical wire and cable products sold. Generally, as the costs of inventory purchases increase due to higher commodity prices, our mark-up percentage to customers remains relatively constant, resulting in higher sales revenue and gross profit. In addition, existing inventory purchased at previously lower prices and sold as prices increase may result in a higher gross profit margin. Conversely, a decrease in commodity prices in a short period of time would have the opposite effect, negatively affecting financial results. The degree to which spot market copper prices change affects product prices and the amount of gross profit earned will be affected by end market demand and overall economic conditions. Importantly, however, there is no exact measure of the impact of changes in copper prices, as there are thousands of transactions in any given year, each of which has various factors involved in the individual pricing decisions. Therefore, all references to the effect of copper prices are estimates.

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The following summarizes the various items that favorably/(unfavorably) impact the comparability of the results for the three and six months ended June 29, 2018 and June 30, 2017.

Items Impacting Comparability of Results from Continuing Operations:

(In millions, except per share amounts)

	Three Months Ended		Six Months Ended	
	June 29, 2018	June 30, 2017	June 29, 2018	June 30, 2017
Favorable / (Unfavorable)				
<i>Items impacting operating expense and operating income:</i>				
Amortization of intangible assets	\$ (9.7)	\$ (9.0)	\$ (19.0)	\$ (18.0)
Restructuring charge	(9.2)	—	(9.2)	—
Acquisition and integration costs	(2.3)	—	(2.6)	—
CEO retirement agreement expense	(2.6)	—	(2.6)	—
U.K. facility relocation costs	(0.4)	—	(0.6)	—
Total of items impacting operating expense and operating income	\$ (24.2)	\$ (9.0)	\$ (34.0)	\$ (18.0)
<i>Items impacting income taxes:</i>				
Tax impact of items impacting pre-tax income above	5.8	2.9	8.0	5.8
Reversal of deferred income tax valuation allowances	1.8	—	1.8	—
Tax expense related to domestic permanent tax differences	(0.5)	—	(0.5)	—
Total of items impacting income taxes	\$ 7.1	\$ 2.9	\$ 9.3	\$ 5.8
Net income impact of these items	\$ (17.1)	\$ (6.1)	\$ (24.7)	\$ (12.2)
Diluted EPS impact of these items	\$ (0.51)	\$ (0.18)	\$ (0.73)	\$ (0.36)

The items impacting operating expense and operating income by segment are reflected in the tables below.

Items Impacting Comparability of Operating Expense and Operating Income by Segment:

(In millions)	Three Months Ended June 29, 2018				
	NSS	EES	UPS	Corporate	Total
Amortization of intangible assets	\$ (4.2)	\$ (2.1)	\$ (3.4)	\$ —	\$ (9.7)
Restructuring charge	(2.1)	(1.3)	(0.7)	(5.1)	(9.2)
Acquisition and integration costs	(2.3)	—	—	—	(2.3)
CEO retirement agreement expense	—	—	—	(2.6)	(2.6)
U.K. facility relocation costs	(0.1)	(0.3)	—	—	(0.4)
Total of items impacting operating expense and operating income	\$ (8.7)	\$ (3.7)	\$ (4.1)	\$ (7.7)	\$ (24.2)

(In millions)	Three Months Ended June 30, 2017				
	NSS	EES	UPS	Corporate	Total
Amortization of intangible assets	\$ (3.6)	\$ (2.1)	\$ (3.3)	\$ —	\$ (9.0)
Restructuring charge	—	—	0.1	(0.1)	—
Total of items impacting operating expense and operating income	\$ (3.6)	\$ (2.1)	\$ (3.2)	\$ (0.1)	\$ (9.0)

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(In millions)	Six Months Ended June 29, 2018				
	NSS	EES	UPS	Corporate	Total
Amortization of intangible assets	\$ (8.0)	\$ (4.3)	\$ (6.7)	\$ —	\$ (19.0)
Restructuring charge	(2.1)	(1.3)	(0.7)	(5.1)	(9.2)
Acquisition and integration costs	(2.3)	—	—	(0.3)	(2.6)
CEO retirement agreement expense	—	—	—	(2.6)	(2.6)
U.K. facility relocation costs	(0.1)	(0.5)	—	—	(0.6)
Total of items impacting operating expense and operating income	\$ (12.5)	\$ (6.1)	\$ (7.4)	\$ (8.0)	\$ (34.0)

(In millions)	Six Months Ended June 30, 2017				
	NSS	EES	UPS	Corporate	Total
Amortization of intangible assets	\$ (7.2)	\$ (4.2)	\$ (6.6)	\$ —	\$ (18.0)
Restructuring charge	—	0.5	(0.1)	(0.4)	—
Total of items impacting operating expense and operating income	\$ (7.2)	\$ (3.7)	\$ (6.7)	\$ (0.4)	\$ (18.0)

U.S. GAAP to Non-GAAP Net Income and EPS Reconciliation:

(In millions, except per share amounts)

	Three Months Ended		Six Months Ended	
	June 29, 2018	June 30, 2017	June 29, 2018	June 30, 2017
<i>Reconciliation to most directly comparable U.S. GAAP financial measure:</i>				
Net income - U.S. GAAP	\$ 34.8	\$ 40.1	\$ 66.9	\$ 71.0
Items impacting net income	17.1	6.1	24.7	12.2
Net income - Non-GAAP	\$ 51.9	\$ 46.2	\$ 91.6	\$ 83.2
Diluted EPS – U.S. GAAP	\$ 1.02	\$ 1.18	\$ 1.96	\$ 2.09
Diluted EPS impact of these items	0.51	0.18	0.73	0.36
Diluted EPS – Non-GAAP	\$ 1.53	\$ 1.36	\$ 2.69	\$ 2.45

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Net Sales

Sales Growth Trends

(\$ millions)	Three Months Ended June 29, 2018				Three Months Ended June 30, 2017			Organic Growth / (Decline)
	As Reported	Foreign Exchange Impact	Copper Impact	As Adjusted	As Reported	Acquisitions Impact	Adjusted for Acquisitions	
Network & Security Solutions (NSS)								
North America	\$ 852.9	\$ (3.0)	\$ —	\$ 849.9	\$ 817.1	\$ —	\$ 817.1	4.0 %
EMEA	104.9	(3.8)	—	101.1	86.5	0.2	86.7	16.6 %
Emerging Markets	138.5	0.5	—	139.0	125.8	11.3	137.1	1.4 %
NSS	\$ 1,096.3	\$ (6.3)	\$ —	\$ 1,090.0	\$ 1,029.4	\$ 11.5	\$ 1,040.9	4.7 %
Electrical & Electronic Solutions (EES)								
North America	\$ 473.6	\$ (2.8)	\$ (9.4)	\$ 461.4	\$ 441.6	\$ —	\$ 441.6	4.5 %
EMEA	68.1	(3.4)	(1.3)	63.4	63.8	—	63.8	(0.6)%
Emerging Markets	63.9	0.2	(0.9)	63.2	56.1	—	56.1	12.6 %
EES	\$ 605.6	\$ (6.0)	\$ (11.6)	\$ 588.0	\$ 561.5	\$ —	\$ 561.5	4.7 %
Utility Power Solutions (UPS)								
North America	\$ 436.0	\$ (1.4)	\$ (0.3)	\$ 434.3	\$ 410.5	\$ —	\$ 410.5	5.8 %
UPS	\$ 436.0	\$ (1.4)	\$ (0.3)	\$ 434.3	\$ 410.5	\$ —	\$ 410.5	5.8 %
Total	\$ 2,137.9	\$ (13.7)	\$ (11.9)	\$ 2,112.3	\$ 2,001.4	\$ 11.5	\$ 2,012.9	4.9 %
Geographic Sales								
North America	\$ 1,762.5	\$ (7.2)	\$ (9.7)	\$ 1,745.6	\$ 1,669.2	\$ —	\$ 1,669.2	4.6 %
EMEA	173.0	(7.2)	(1.3)	164.5	150.3	0.2	150.5	9.3 %
Emerging Markets	202.4	0.7	(0.9)	202.2	181.9	11.3	193.2	4.6 %
Total	\$ 2,137.9	\$ (13.7)	\$ (11.9)	\$ 2,112.3	\$ 2,001.4	\$ 11.5	\$ 2,012.9	4.9 %

NSS – Sales of \$1,096.3 million increased 6.5% from \$1,029.4 million in the prior year period. Adjusting for the favorable impact from acquisitions and foreign exchange, NSS organic sales increased 4.7% , reflecting growth in both the network infrastructure and security portions of the business and in all geographies. NSS security sales in the second quarter of 2018 of \$460.9 million, which represents 42.0% of total segment sales, increased 8.4% from the prior year period. Adjusted for the \$11.5 million and \$1.6 million favorable acquisitions and currency impacts, respectively, organic security sales growth was 5.2% compared to the second quarter of 2017.

EES – Sales of \$605.6 million increased 7.9% from \$561.5 million in the prior year period, strengthened by the favorable impacts from copper and foreign exchange. EES organic sales increased by 4.7% , with growth driven by ongoing recovery on the industrial side of the business and strong growth with OEM customers.

UPS – Sales of \$436.0 million increased 6.2% from \$410.5 million in the prior year period, reflecting broad-based growth with both investor-owned utility and public power customers. UPS organic sales increased 5.8% , adjusting for the favorable impacts from foreign exchange and copper.

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Sales Growth Trends

(\$ millions)	Six Months Ended June 29, 2018				Six Months Ended June 30, 2017				Organic Growth / (Decline)
	As Reported	Foreign Exchange Impact	Copper Impact	As Adjusted	As Reported	Acquisitions Impact	Adjusted for Acquisitions		
Network & Security Solutions (NSS)									
North America	\$ 1,621.4	\$ (6.8)	\$ —	\$ 1,614.6	\$ 1,585.1	\$ —	\$ 1,585.1	1.9 %	
EMEA	203.2	(12.5)	—	190.7	179.4	0.2	179.6	6.1 %	
Emerging Markets	266.5	(2.3)	—	264.2	249.8	11.3	261.1	1.2 %	
NSS	\$ 2,091.1	\$ (21.6)	\$ —	\$ 2,069.5	\$ 2,014.3	\$ 11.5	\$ 2,025.8	2.2 %	
Electrical & Electronic Solutions (EES)									
North America	\$ 916.5	\$ (5.8)	\$ (18.0)	\$ 892.7	\$ 857.8	\$ —	\$ 857.8	4.1 %	
EMEA	138.4	(10.5)	(1.9)	126.0	126.3	—	126.3	(0.2)%	
Emerging Markets	119.1	(0.9)	(1.7)	116.5	104.8	—	104.8	11.1 %	
EES	\$ 1,174.0	\$ (17.2)	\$ (21.6)	\$ 1,135.2	\$ 1,088.9	\$ —	\$ 1,088.9	4.3 %	
Utility Power Solutions (UPS)									
North America	\$ 837.0	\$ (3.2)	\$ (0.6)	\$ 833.2	\$ 794.0	\$ —	\$ 794.0	4.9 %	
UPS	\$ 837.0	\$ (3.2)	\$ (0.6)	\$ 833.2	\$ 794.0	\$ —	\$ 794.0	4.9 %	
Total	\$ 4,102.1	\$ (42.0)	\$ (22.2)	\$ 4,037.9	\$ 3,897.2	\$ 11.5	\$ 3,908.7	3.3 %	
Geographic Sales									
North America	\$ 3,374.9	\$ (15.8)	\$ (18.6)	\$ 3,340.5	\$ 3,236.9	\$ —	\$ 3,236.9	3.2 %	
EMEA	341.6	(23.0)	(1.9)	316.7	305.7	0.2	305.9	3.5 %	
Emerging Markets	385.6	(3.2)	(1.7)	380.7	354.6	11.3	365.9	4.0 %	
Total	\$ 4,102.1	\$ (42.0)	\$ (22.2)	\$ 4,037.9	\$ 3,897.2	\$ 11.5	\$ 3,908.7	3.3 %	

NSS – Sales of \$2,091.1 million increased 3.8% from \$2,014.3 million in the prior year period. Adjusting for the favorable impact from acquisitions and foreign exchange, NSS organic sales increased 2.2% , reflecting growth in both the network infrastructure and security portions of the business and in all geographies . NSS security sales in the six months ended June 29, 2018 of \$874.5 million, which represents 41.8% of total segment sales, increased 5.7% from the prior year period. Adjusted for the \$11.5 million and \$6.8 million favorable acquisitions and currency impacts, respectively, organic security sales growth was 3.5% compared to the six months ended June 30, 2017 .

EES – Sales of \$1,174.0 million increased 7.8% from \$1,088.9 million in the prior year period, strengthened by the favorable impacts from copper and foreign exchange. EES organic sales increased by 4.3% , with growth driven by ongoing recovery on the industrial side of the business and strong growth with OEM customers.

UPS – Sales of \$837.0 million increased 5.4% from \$794.0 million in the prior year period, reflecting broad-based growth with both investor-owned utility and public power customers. UPS organic sales increased 4.9% , adjusting for the favorable impacts from foreign exchange and copper.

Gross Margin

Gross margin of 19.6% in the second quarter of 2018 compares to 19.8% in the second quarter of 2017 . Gross margin of 19.6% in the six months ended June 29, 2018 compares to 19.9% in the six months ended June 30, 2017 . The lower gross margin was caused by customer and product mix and cost inflation, primarily in the UPS segment.

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Operating Expenses

Operating expenses were \$347.8 million and \$313.1 million in the second quarter of 2018 and 2017, respectively. The second quarter of 2018 includes \$9.7 million of intangible asset amortization, a restructuring charge of \$9.2 million, \$2.3 million of acquisition and integration costs, \$2.6 million of CEO retirement agreement expense and \$0.4 million of U.K. facility relocation costs. The CEO retirement agreement expense relates to additional stock compensation for the entry into a retirement agreement with the recently retired CEO, which extended the terms of his non-competition and non-solicitation restrictions in exchange for extended vesting and termination provisions of previously granted equity awards. The U.K. facility relocation costs relate to expenses we incurred to move our largest warehouse in EMEA. We were forced to move this location due to a government-backed rail line that will run through our existing facility.

The second quarter of 2017 includes \$9.0 million of intangible asset amortization. Excluding these items, adjusted operating expenses in the second quarter of 2018 increased 6.4% to \$323.6 million, or 15.1% of sales, which compares to prior year adjusted operating expenses of \$304.1 million, or 15.2% of sales. Further adjusting operating expenses for an unfavorable \$2.5 million impact of foreign currency in the second quarter of 2018, adjusted operating expenses would have increased by 5.6%.

Operating expenses were \$671.0 million and \$623.9 million in the six months ended June 29, 2018 and June 30, 2017, respectively. The six months ended June 29, 2018 includes \$19.0 million of intangible asset amortization, a restructuring charge of \$9.2 million, \$2.6 million of acquisition and integration costs, \$2.6 million of CEO retirement agreement expense and \$0.6 million of U.K. facility relocation costs. The six months ended June 30, 2017 includes \$18.0 million of intangible asset amortization. Excluding these items, adjusted operating expenses in the six months ended June 29, 2018 increased 5.1% to \$637.0 million or 15.5% of sales, which compares to prior year adjusted operating expenses of \$605.9 million or 15.5% of sales. Further adjusting operating expenses for an unfavorable \$7.4 million impact of foreign currency in the six months ended June 29, 2018, adjusted operating expenses would have increased by 3.9%.

Operating Income

(In millions)	Three Months Ended				
	NSS	EES	UPS	Corporate	Total
Operating income, 2018	\$ 66.1	\$ 35.6	\$ 17.9	\$ (48.3)	\$ 71.3
Operating income, 2017	64.9	29.6	21.3	(33.2)	82.6
\$ Change	\$ 1.2	\$ 6.0	\$ (3.4)	\$ (15.1)	\$ (11.3)
% Change	1.9 %	20.3 %	(15.4)%	(46.0)%	(13.7)%
Items impacting operating income in 2018	\$ 8.7	\$ 3.7	\$ 4.1	\$ 7.7	\$ 24.2
Adjusted operating income, 2018 (Non-GAAP)	\$ 74.8	\$ 39.3	\$ 22.0	\$ (40.6)	\$ 95.5
Items impacting operating income in 2017	\$ 3.6	\$ 2.1	\$ 3.2	\$ 0.1	\$ 9.0
Adjusted operating income, 2017 (Non-GAAP)	\$ 68.5	\$ 31.7	\$ 24.5	\$ (33.1)	\$ 91.6
Adjusted % Change (Non-GAAP)	9.2 %	24.0 %	(10.2)%	(22.7)%	4.3 %
<i>Plus the % impact of:</i>					
Foreign exchange	(0.4)%	(1.0)%	(0.4)%	0.8 %	(0.5)%
Copper pricing	— %	(8.0)%	(0.2)%	— %	(2.9)%
Organic (Non-GAAP)	1.5 %	11.3 %	(16.0)%	(45.2)%	(17.1)%

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NSS – Operating income was \$66.1 million , or 6.0% of sales, in the second quarter of 2018, compared to \$64.9 million , or 6.3% of sales, in the second quarter of 2017. The increase in operating income was due to sales growth in both the network infrastructure and security portions of the business. NSS delivered adjusted operating income of \$74.8 million in the second quarter of 2018, resulting in adjusted operating margin of 6.8% . NSS delivered adjusted operating income of \$68.5 million in the second quarter of 2017, resulting in adjusted operating margin of 6.7% .

EES – Operating income was \$35.6 million , or 5.9% of sales, in the second quarter of 2018, compared to \$29.6 million , or 5.3% of sales, in the second quarter of 2017. The increase in operating income was driven by the favorable impacts of higher copper prices combined with sales growth and strong expense leverage. EES delivered adjusted operating income of \$39.3 million in the second quarter of 2018 , resulting in adjusted operating margin of 6.5% . EES delivered adjusted operating income of \$31.7 million in the second quarter of 2017, resulting in adjusted operating margin of 5.7%

UPS – Operating income was \$17.9 million , or 4.1% of sales, in the second quarter of 2018, compared to \$21.3 million , or 5.2% , in the second quarter of 2017. The decrease in operating income was driven by lower gross margin. UPS delivered adjusted operating income of \$22.0 million in the second quarter of 2018 , resulting in adjusted operating margin of 5.1% . UPS delivered adjusted operating income of \$24.5 million in the second quarter of 2017, resulting in adjusted operating margin of 6.0% .

(In millions)	Six Months Ended				
	NSS	EES	UPS	Corporate	Total
Operating income, 2018	\$ 119.6	\$ 67.0	\$ 34.3	\$ (88.0)	\$ 132.9
Operating income, 2017	126.7	57.5	37.5	(70.2)	151.5
\$ Change	\$ (7.1)	\$ 9.5	\$ (3.2)	\$ (17.8)	\$ (18.6)
% Change	(5.6)%	16.6 %	(8.4)%	(25.5)%	(12.3)%
Items impacting operating income in 2018	\$ 12.5	\$ 6.1	\$ 7.4	\$ 8.0	\$ 34.0
Adjusted operating income, 2018 (Non-GAAP)	\$ 132.1	\$ 73.1	\$ 41.7	\$ (80.0)	\$ 166.9
Items impacting operating income in 2017	\$ 7.2	\$ 3.7	\$ 6.7	\$ 0.4	\$ 18.0
Adjusted operating income, 2017 (Non-GAAP)	\$ 133.9	\$ 61.2	\$ 44.2	\$ (69.8)	\$ 169.5
Adjusted % Change (Non-GAAP)	(1.3)%	19.4 %	(5.7)%	(14.6)%	(1.5)%
<i>Plus the % impact of:</i>					
Foreign exchange	(0.9)%	(1.5)%	(0.5)%	1.1 %	(0.9)%
Copper pricing	— %	(7.7)%	(0.2)%	— %	(2.9)%
Organic (Non-GAAP)	(6.5)%	7.4 %	(9.1)%	(24.4)%	(16.1)%

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NSS – Operating income was \$119.6 million , or 5.7% of sales, in the six months ended June 29, 2018 , compared to \$126.7 million , or 6.3% of sales, in the six months ended June 30, 2017 . The decrease in operating income was due to the combination of lower gross margin, the impact of deflation in certain product categories and increased freight expense. NSS delivered adjusted operating income of \$132.1 million in the six months ended June 29, 2018 , resulting in adjusted operating margin of 6.3% . NSS delivered adjusted operating income of \$133.9 million in the six months ended June 30, 2017 , resulting in adjusted operating margin of 6.6% .

EES – Operating income was \$67.0 million , or 5.7% of sales, in the six months ended June 29, 2018 , compared to \$57.5 million , or 5.3% of sales, in the six months ended June 30, 2017 . The increase in operating income was driven by the favorable impacts of higher copper prices combined with sales growth and strong expense leverage. EES delivered adjusted operating income of \$73.1 million in the six months ended June 29, 2018 , resulting in adjusted operating margin of 6.2% . EES delivered adjusted operating income of \$61.2 million in the six months ended June 30, 2017 , resulting in adjusted operating margin of 5.6%

UPS – Operating income was \$34.3 million , or 4.1% of sales, in the six months ended June 29, 2018 , compared to \$37.5 million , or 4.7% , in the six months ended June 30, 2017 . The decrease in operating income was driven by lower gross margin. UPS delivered adjusted operating income of \$41.7 million in the six months ended June 29, 2018 , resulting in adjusted operating margin of 5.0% . UPS delivered adjusted operating income of \$44.2 million in the six months ended June 30, 2017 , resulting in adjusted operating margin of 5.6% .

Interest Expense and Other

Interest expense was \$19.0 million and \$17.9 million in the second quarter of 2018 and 2017 , respectively. Interest expense was \$37.2 million and \$36.8 million in the six months ended June 29, 2018 and June 30, 2017 , respectively. The increase in interest expense in 2018 was driven by higher borrowings under the revolving lines of credit due to increased working capital investment to support the growth in the business.

Foreign exchange and other expense of \$3.3 million in the second quarter of 2018 compares to \$0.9 million in the second quarter of 2017 , primarily due to the strengthening of the U.S. dollar against certain foreign currencies, primarily in Europe, Canada and Latin America. Foreign exchange and other expense of \$1.0 million in the six months ended June 29, 2018 compares to \$1.0 million in the six months ended June 30, 2017 .

Income Taxes

Our effective tax rate for the second quarter of 2018 was 29.0% compared to 37.2% in the prior year period. The current year period included a \$1.8 million tax benefit related to the reversal of deferred income tax valuation allowances, partially offset by \$0.5 million of tax expense related to domestic permanent tax differences. Our effective tax rate for the six months ended June 29, 2018 was 29.4% compared to 37.6% in the prior year period. The decrease was primarily due to a favorable tax impact from the December 22, 2017 Tax Cuts and Jobs Act (the "Act"). Under the Act, the statutory U.S. federal tax rate was reduced from 35% to 21% effective January 1, 2018. The benefit from this rate reduction was partially offset by other newly enacted tax provisions.

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EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA

Q2 EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA by Segment:

(In millions)	Three Months Ended June 29, 2018				
	NSS	EES	UPS	Corporate	Total
Net income	\$ 66.1	\$ 35.6	\$ 17.9	\$ (84.8)	\$ 34.8
Interest expense	—	—	—	19.0	19.0
Income taxes	—	—	—	14.2	14.2
Depreciation	0.9	0.7	0.9	5.2	7.7
Amortization of intangible assets	4.2	2.1	3.4	—	9.7
EBITDA	\$ 71.2	\$ 38.4	\$ 22.2	\$ (46.4)	\$ 85.4
Total of items impacting operating income*	\$ 4.5	\$ 1.6	\$ 0.7	\$ 5.1	\$ 11.9
Foreign exchange and other non-operating expense	—	—	—	3.3	3.3
Stock-based compensation	0.4	0.4	0.2	6.2	7.2
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 76.1	\$ 40.4	\$ 23.1	\$ (31.8)	\$ 107.8

* Items impacting operating income excludes amortization of intangible assets and CEO retirement agreement expense in the calculation of adjusted EBITDA as amortization is already added back in the EBITDA calculation and CEO retirement agreement expense is added back as part of Stock-based compensation.

(In millions)	Three Months Ended June 30, 2017				
	NSS	EES	UPS	Corporate	Total
Net income	\$ 64.9	\$ 29.6	\$ 21.3	\$ (75.7)	\$ 40.1
Interest expense	—	—	—	17.9	17.9
Income taxes	—	—	—	23.7	23.7
Depreciation	0.7	0.6	1.0	4.8	7.1
Amortization of intangible assets	3.6	2.1	3.3	—	9.0
EBITDA	\$ 69.2	\$ 32.3	\$ 25.6	\$ (29.3)	\$ 97.8
Total of items impacting operating income*	\$ —	\$ —	\$ (0.1)	\$ 0.1	\$ —
Foreign exchange and other non-operating expense	—	—	—	0.9	0.9
Stock-based compensation	0.6	0.5	0.4	2.9	4.4
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 69.8	\$ 32.8	\$ 25.9	\$ (25.4)	\$ 103.1

* Items impacting operating income excludes amortization of intangible assets in the calculation of adjusted EBITDA as amortization is already added back in the EBITDA calculation above.

NSS – NSS adjusted EBITDA of \$76.1 million in the second quarter of 2018 compares to \$69.8 million in the second quarter of 2017 . The increase in adjusted EBITDA was driven by sales growth.

EES – EES adjusted EBITDA of \$40.4 million in the second quarter of 2018 compares to \$32.8 million in the second quarter of 2017 . The increase in adjusted EBITDA was driven by strong expense leverage associated with the sales growth combined with the benefit of higher copper prices.

UPS – UPS adjusted EBITDA of \$23.1 million in the second quarter of 2018 compares to \$25.9 million in the second quarter of 2017 , due primarily to lower gross margin.

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Q2 YTD EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA by Segment:

(In millions)	Six Months Ended June 29, 2018				
	NSS	EES	UPS	Corporate	Total
Net income	\$ 119.6	\$ 67.0	\$ 34.3	\$ (154.0)	\$ 66.9
Interest expense	—	—	—	37.2	37.2
Income taxes	—	—	—	27.8	27.8
Depreciation	1.7	1.2	1.8	10.4	15.1
Amortization of intangible assets	8.0	4.3	6.7	—	19.0
EBITDA	\$ 129.3	\$ 72.5	\$ 42.8	\$ (78.6)	\$ 166.0
Total of items impacting operating income*	\$ 4.5	\$ 1.8	\$ 0.7	\$ 5.4	\$ 12.4
Foreign exchange and other non-operating expense	—	—	—	1.0	1.0
Stock-based compensation	0.8	0.8	0.5	9.7	11.8
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 134.6	\$ 75.1	\$ 44.0	\$ (62.5)	\$ 191.2

* Items impacting operating income excludes amortization of intangible assets and CEO retirement agreement expense in the calculation of adjusted EBITDA as amortization is already added back in the EBITDA calculation and CEO retirement agreement expense is added back as part of Stock-based compensation.

(In millions)	Six Months Ended June 30, 2017				
	NSS	EES	UPS	Corporate	Total
Net income	\$ 126.7	\$ 57.5	\$ 37.5	\$ (150.7)	\$ 71.0
Interest expense	—	—	—	36.8	36.8
Income taxes	—	—	—	42.7	42.7
Depreciation	1.5	1.2	2.0	9.4	14.1
Amortization of intangible assets	7.2	4.2	6.6	—	18.0
EBITDA	\$ 135.4	\$ 62.9	\$ 46.1	\$ (61.8)	\$ 182.6
Total of items impacting operating income*	\$ —	\$ (0.5)	\$ 0.1	\$ 0.4	\$ —
Foreign exchange and other non-operating expense	—	—	—	1.0	1.0
Stock-based compensation	1.0	0.8	0.6	6.5	8.9
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 136.4	\$ 63.2	\$ 46.8	\$ (53.9)	\$ 192.5

* Items impacting operating income excludes amortization of intangible assets in the calculation of adjusted EBITDA as amortization is already added back in the EBITDA calculation above.

NSS – NSS adjusted EBITDA of \$134.6 million in the six months ended June 29, 2018 compares to \$136.4 million in the six months ended June 30, 2017. The decrease in adjusted EBITDA was due to the combination of lower gross margin, the impact of deflation in certain product categories and increased freight expense.

EES – EES adjusted EBITDA of \$75.1 million in the six months ended June 29, 2018 compares to \$63.2 million in the six months ended June 30, 2017. The increase in adjusted EBITDA was driven by strong expense leverage associated with the sales growth combined with the benefit of higher copper prices.

UPS – UPS adjusted EBITDA of \$44.0 million in the six months ended June 29, 2018 compares to \$46.8 million in the six months ended June 30, 2017, due primarily to lower gross margin.

Financial Liquidity and Capital Resources

Cash Flow

As a distributor, our use of capital is largely for working capital to support our revenue growth. Capital commitments for property and equipment are limited to information technology assets, warehouse equipment, office furniture and fixtures and leasehold improvements, because we operate almost entirely from leased facilities. Therefore, in any given reporting period, the amount of cash consumed or generated by operations other than from net earnings will primarily be due to changes in working capital as a result of the rate of increases or decreases in sales.

In periods when sales are increasing, the expanded working capital needs will be funded first by cash from operations, then from additional borrowings and lastly from additional equity offerings. In periods when sales are decreasing, we will have improved cash flows due to reduced working capital requirements. During such periods, we will use the expanded cash flow to reduce the amount of leverage in our capital structure until such time as economic conditions improve and growth resumes. Also, we will, from time to time, issue or retire borrowings or equity in an effort to maintain a cost-effective capital structure consistent with our anticipated capital requirements.

Net cash provided by operations was \$69.3 million in the six months ended June 29, 2018 compared to net cash provided by operations of \$137.1 million in the prior year period. The decrease is primarily due to higher investment in working capital to support growth in the business.

Net cash used in investing activities was \$170.3 million in the six months ended June 29, 2018, which included \$149.9 million for the acquisition of security businesses in Australia and New Zealand and \$24.5 million for capital expenditures. Net cash used in investing activities was \$20.8 million in the six months ended June 30, 2017 and related to capital expenditures. Capital expenditures are expected to be approximately \$50 - \$60 million in 2018 as we continue to invest in warehouse equipment, information system upgrades, integration of acquired businesses and new software to support our infrastructure.

Net cash provided by financing activities was \$90.2 million in the six months ended June 29, 2018 compared to net cash used in financing activities of \$50.1 million in the six months ended June 30, 2017. During the six months ended June 29, 2018, we had net borrowings on our revolving lines of credit of \$89.1 million. During the six months ended June 30, 2017, we had net repayments on our revolving lines of credit of \$13.8 million and a repayment of our Canadian term loan of \$38.7 million.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

At June 29, 2018, our primary liquidity source was the Receivables Facility in an aggregate committed amount of \$600.0 million and the Inventory Facility in an aggregate committed amount of \$150.0 million. At June 29, 2018, there was \$225.0 million of borrowings under the Receivables Facility (which included the cost of the businesses acquired), and there were no borrowings under the Inventory Facility.

Our debt-to-capital ratio increased from 46.1% at December 29, 2017 to 47.0% at June 29, 2018, remaining within our targeted range of 45-50%.

We are in compliance with all of our covenant ratios and believe that there is adequate margin between the covenant ratios and the actual ratios given the current trends of the business. For further information, including information regarding our credit arrangements, see Note 3. "Debt" in the Notes to the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates

There were no material changes in our critical accounting policies since the filing of our 2017 Form 10-K. For further information about recently issued accounting pronouncements, see Note 1. "Summary of Significant Accounting Policies" in the Notes to the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements. As discussed in the 2017 Form 10-K, the preparation of the consolidated financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States requires management to make certain estimates and assumptions that affect the amount of reported assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the consolidated financial statements and revenues and expenses during the periods reported. Actual results may differ from those estimates.

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ITEM 3. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK.

There were no material changes to market risks and related disclosures in Item 7A. of Part II in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 29, 2017, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on February 22, 2018.

ITEM 4. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES.

Under the supervision and with the participation of Anixter's management, including its principal executive officer and principal financial officer, an evaluation was conducted as of June 29, 2018 of the effectiveness of the design and operation of disclosure controls and procedures, as such term is defined under Rule 13a-15(e) promulgated under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. Based on this evaluation, the Company's principal executive officer and principal financial officer concluded that disclosure controls and procedures were effective as of June 29, 2018 . There was no change in internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the three months ended June 29, 2018 that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

PART II. OTHER INFORMATION

ITEM 1. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS.

Information regarding legal proceedings is contained in Note 4. "Legal Contingencies" in the Notes to the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements contained in this report and is incorporated herein by reference.

ITEM 1A. RISK FACTORS.

There were no material changes to the risk factors disclosed in Item 1A of Part 1 in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 29, 2017, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on February 22, 2018.

ITEM 6. EXHIBITS.

(10) *Material Contracts*

10.1 [Retirement Agreement between Anixter Inc. and Robert J. Eck](#)

10.2 [Consulting Agreement between Anixter Inc. and William A. Standish](#)

(31) *Rule 13a — 14(a) /15d — 14(a) Certifications.*

31.1 [William A. Galvin, President and Chief Executive Officer, Certification Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.](#)

31.2 [Theodore A. Dosch, Executive Vice President-Finance and Chief Financial Officer, Certification Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.](#)

(32) *Section 1350 Certifications.*

32.1 [William A. Galvin, President and Chief Executive Officer, Certification Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.](#)

32.2 [Theodore A. Dosch, Executive Vice President-Finance and Chief Financial Officer, Certification Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.](#)

101.INS** XBRL Instance Document

101.SCH** XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema Document

101.CAL** XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase Document

101.DEF** XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definition Linkbase

101.LAB** XBRL Taxonomy Extension Label Linkbase Document

101.PRE** XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase Document

** Attached as Exhibit 101 to this report are the following documents formatted in XBRL (Extensible Business Reporting Language): (i) the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income for the three and six months ended June 29, 2018 and June 30, 2017 , (ii) the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets at June 29, 2018 and December 29, 2017 , (iii) the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows for the six months ended June 29, 2018 and June 30, 2017 , and (iv) Notes to the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements for the three and six months ended June 29, 2018 .

RETIREMENT AGREEMENT

This Retirement Agreement (“Agreement”) is made and entered into on _____ June 30, 2018, by and between Anixter Inc., a Delaware corporation (“Company”), and Robert J. Eck (“Executive”). Anixter International Inc., a Delaware corporation (“Parent”), is also a party to this Agreement, but solely for the purpose of Sections 3 and 4 hereof.

R E C I T A L S

- A. Executive is currently employed by Company as its Chief Executive Officer and holds the same office with respect to Parent.
- B. Executive has advised Company of his intention to retire from Company, Parent and all affiliates of Company or Parent effective as of June 30, 2018 (“Effective Date”).
- C. Company and Parent have determined that it is in their best interests to provide for Executive’s continued involvement as a member of the Board of Directors of Parent (the “Board”) following his retirement.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing premises and the promises and covenants herein, the parties hereby agree as follows:

A G R E E M E N T

1. Termination of Employment Relationship. Executive shall voluntarily resign as the Chief Executive Officer of Company and Parent and all other employment related positions with Company and Parent or any and all affiliates, and shall cease to be an officer or employee of Company and Parent and any and all affiliates, effective as of the close of business on the Effective Date. From and after the Effective Date, Executive shall not be eligible to participate in any employee benefit plans, programs or arrangements sponsored and maintained by Company (other than as expressly required by COBRA or other applicable law) and shall not accrue further benefits under any non-qualified executive retirement plans from and after the Effective Date.
 2. Release. On the Effective Date, Executive shall execute and deliver to Company the form of release attached as Exhibit A hereto.
 3. Continued Board Service. Following the Effective Date, Executive agrees to continue to serve as a member of the Board through the fifth anniversary of the Effective Date, subject to his nomination and election to the Board following the expiration of his current and any subsequent terms as a director. Executive shall be entitled to receive compensation for his post-Effective Date service as a Director in accordance with Company’s director compensation policy as in effect from time to time.
 4. Changes In Equity Rights. In consideration of and subject to the agreements and undertakings of Executive hereunder, Parent and Executive agree that the option and restricted stock unit grant agreements entered into by Executive and Parent under the Anixter International Inc. 2001 Stock Incentive Plan, Anixter International Inc. 2006 Stock Incentive Plan, Anixter International Inc. 2010 Stock Incentive Plan and the Anixter International Inc. 2017 Stock Incentive Plan listed on Exhibit B are each hereby amended as follows:
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(a) To the extent that Executive holds vested and unexercised options on the Effective Date, notwithstanding the terms of the applicable grant agreement, Executive shall be allowed to exercise such options at any time prior to the date such options would otherwise expire if not exercised.

(b) To the extent that Executive has non-vested restricted stock units on the Effective Date, notwithstanding the terms of the applicable grant agreements, such units shall continue to vest in accordance with their terms notwithstanding the termination of Executive's employment and shall be converted into shares upon vesting in accordance with the terms of the applicable grant agreements.

(c) To the extent that Executive has non-vested performance-based restricted stock units on the Effective Date, notwithstanding the terms of the applicable grant agreements, such units shall continue to vest in accordance with their terms notwithstanding the termination of Executive's employment and shall be converted into shares upon vesting in accordance with the terms of the applicable grant agreements.

(d) In the event of Executive's Death within twenty-four (24) months of the Effective Date, (i) Executive's designated beneficiary, or his estate in the absence of a valid designation, shall be allowed to exercise vested options during the shorter of the remaining option term or the twelve months following Executive's death and (ii) restricted stock units shall continue to convert in accordance with their terms during the twelve month period following Executive's death. In the event of Executive's death thereafter, Executive's designated beneficiary, or his estate in the absence of such designation, shall be allowed to exercise such options and to receive shares of Company common stock upon the conversion of restricted stock rights on the same terms and subject to the same conditions as would have applied to Executive if he was not deceased.

(e) In the event that Executive engages in any conduct during the Covenant Term (as defined in Section 5(c) herein) that constitutes a material violation of Section 5 of this Agreement, then:

(i) all unexercised options held by Executive, whether or not vested, shall terminate, be forfeited, and cease to be exercisable by Executive;

(ii) all unconverted restricted stock units and performance-based restricted stock units held by Executive shall terminate and shall be forfeited and shall not convert into shares of Company's common stock; and

(iii) Executive shall be obligated to pay to Company, in cash, an amount equal to the sum of (A) the Financial Gain (as defined below) realized by Executive with respect to all options, restricted stock units and performance-based restricted stock units amended by this Agreement from and after the Effective Date and (B) the Interest Charge. For purposes of this paragraph, the term "Financial Gain" shall mean (i) with respect to each option exercised after the Effective Date, the difference between the fair market value of Company's common stock on the exercise date and the exercise price of such option, multiplied by the gross number of shares subject to such exercise (including shares applied to pay the exercise price and shares applied to satisfy and tax withholding obligation) and (ii) with respect to each restricted stock unit and performance-based restricted stock unit, the fair market value of Company's common stock on the date such unit vests. For purposes of this paragraph, the term "Interest Charge" shall mean interest at Company's unsecured borrowing rate as in effect from time to time on all Financial Gain

computed from the date such Financial Gain is realized (by means of the exercise of an option or the vesting of a restricted stock unit) through the date Executive satisfies such obligation. Nothing in this Agreement, however, shall be construed to prohibit Company from also pursuing any other remedy, the parties having agreed that all remedies are to be cumulative. The parties expressly agree that Company may, in its sole discretion, choose to enforce the covenants in Section 4 hereof in part or to enforce any of said covenants to a lesser extent than that set forth herein.

5. Post-Employment Covenants and Undertakings. Executive agrees that:

(a) By virtue of his employment with Company, and service on the Board, he has and will in the future be exposed to or has had or may have access to confidential information of Company or its affiliates regarding its or their businesses (whether or not developed by Executive), including, but not limited to, algorithms, source code, system designs, data formats, analytical processes, methodologies, business practices, financial information or projections, customer lists or records, customer information, employee records, shareholder records, markups, project materials, marketing techniques, supplier information, accounting methodologies, Creations (as defined below) or other information that gives, or may give, Company or its affiliates an advantage in the marketplace against its competitors (all of the foregoing are hereinafter referred to collectively as the "Proprietary Information" except for information that was in the public domain when acquired or developed by Company, or that subsequently enters the public domain other than as a result of a breach of this or any other agreement or covenant). Executive further acknowledges that it would be possible for Executive, upon termination of his employment with Company, to use the Proprietary Information to benefit other individuals or entities, and that to the extent Executive engages in the Business (as defined below) for himself or others following the termination of his employment it is highly likely that such activity would inevitably require his use or disclosure of Proprietary Information. For the purposes of this section, "Business" means (i) the distribution of network and security solutions, electrical and electronic solutions, and utility power solutions, (ii) the provision of inventory management services, supply chain solutions and other value-added services in a manner consistent with the provision of such services by Company and (iii) any other businesses as may be conducted by Company or its affiliates at any time between the Effective Date and the earlier of (x) the termination of Executive's service as a member of the Board or (y) the end of the Covenant Term (as defined in Section 5(c) herein). Executive acknowledges that Company has expended considerable time and resources in the development of the Proprietary Information and that the Proprietary Information has been disclosed to or learned by Executive solely in connection with Executive's employment with Company or service on the Board. Executive acknowledges that the Proprietary Information constitutes a proprietary and exclusive interest of Company, and, therefore, subject to Section 5(b), Executive agrees that after the Effective Date, for whatever reason, anywhere in the world, Executive shall not directly or indirectly disclose the Proprietary Information to any person, firm, court, governmental entity or body, corporation or other entity or use the Proprietary Information in any manner, except in connection with the business and affairs of Company or pursuant to a validly issued and enforceable court or administrative order. In the event that any court, administrative hearing officer or other judicial or governmental representative shall request or demand disclosure of any Proprietary Information, Executive shall promptly notify Company of the same and cooperate with Company to obtain appropriate protective orders in respect thereof. Subject to Section 5(b), Executive further agrees to execute such further agreements or understandings regarding his agreement not to misuse or disclose Proprietary Information or Creations (as defined below) as Company may reasonably request. Notwithstanding the foregoing, no provision of this Agreement

shall be violated by Executive's continued service on the Board of Directors of Ryder System, Inc., a Florida corporation; and

(b) Notwithstanding the above, this Agreement shall not prevent Executive from revealing evidence of criminal wrongdoing to law enforcement or prohibit Executive from divulging Proprietary Information by order of court or agency of competent jurisdiction, or from making other disclosures that are protected under the provisions of any applicable law or regulation. Nothing in this Agreement prohibits Executive from reporting possible violations of federal law or regulation to any governmental agency or entity, including but not limited to the Department of Justice, the Securities and Exchange Commission, Congress, and any Inspector General, or making other disclosures that are protected under the whistleblower provisions of applicable law or regulation. Executive does not need the prior authorization of Company to make any such reports or disclosures, and Executive is not required to notify Company that Executive has made such reports or disclosure.

Executive acknowledges and agrees that Company has provided Executive with written notice below that the Defend Trade Secrets Act, 18 U.S.C. § 1833(b), provides an immunity for the disclosure of a trade secret to report suspected violations of law and/or in an anti-retaliation lawsuit, as follows:

(i) an individual shall not be held criminally or civilly liable under any federal or state trade secret law for the disclosure of a trade secret that:

(A) is made:

(i) in confidence to a federal, state or local government official, either directly or indirectly, or to an attorney; and

(ii) solely for the purpose of reporting or investigating a suspected violation of law; or

(B) is made in a complaint or other document filed in a lawsuit or other proceeding, if such filing is made under seal; and

(ii) an individual who files a lawsuit for retaliation by an employer for reporting a suspected violation of law may disclose the trade secret to the attorney of the individual and use the trade secret information in the court proceeding, if the individual-

(A) files any document containing the trade secret under seal; and

(B) does not disclose the trade secret, except pursuant to court order; and

(c) Until the third anniversary of the Effective Date ("Covenant Term"), Executive shall not:

(i) without the written consent of the Board, directly or indirectly engage or assist any person engaging in the Business, individually, or as an officer, director, employee, agent, consultant, owner, partner, lender, manager, member, principal, or in any other capacity, or render any services to any entity which is engaged in the Business; provided, however, that the ownership by Executive of not more than one percent (1%) of any class of equity security of any entity engaged in the Business shall not be deemed a breach of this Section provided such securities are listed on a national securities exchange or quotation system or have been registered

under Section 12(g) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. Upon the written request of Executive, the Chair of the Nominating and Governance Committee (the "Committee Chair"), in consultation with the Chief Executive Officer of Company, will advise Executive whether or not a specific activity which Executive is contemplating would violate the foregoing restriction, provided that (I) such request is made prior to Executive engaging in such activity and (II) Executive provides the Committee Chair with such information as the Committee Chair determines is necessary to make such determination. The current and continuing effectiveness of any such determination shall be conditioned on all such information provided by Executive being complete and accurate in all material respects; or

(ii) in any manner, directly or indirectly attempt to divert, take away, solicit, or assist others in soliciting any current or prospective customer, supplier, independent contractor or service provider of Company or any affiliate or otherwise interfere with the relationship between Company or any affiliate and any current or prospective customer, service provider, supplier, independent contractor, or shareholder; or

(iii) directly or indirectly solicit for employment other than on behalf of Company, seek to induce or influence any person to leave employment with Company, offer employment to, or employ any person who was an employee of Company within 6 months of such solicitation or offer;

(iv) directly or indirectly render services, in any capacity, including but not by way of limitation, as an employee, agent, consultant, director, lender, or owner, to any entity whose products are currently distributed by Company as part of the conduct of the Business or are distributed by Company at any time during the Covenant Term; or

(v) make any comment (whether or not true) to any person that could be interpreted, whether or not in fact so interpreted, as critical or disparaging of Company or any of its affiliates or that otherwise could be reasonably expected to be detrimental to Company or any of its affiliates or their employees or operations, provided that the foregoing limitation shall not apply to truthful testimony as a witness in any administrative or other legal proceeding, compliance with any obligations imposed under applicable law, or assertion of a defense against any claim of breach of this Agreement by Company, or to his statements or disclosures to officers or directors of Company or Parent, and shall not require Executive to make false statements or disclosures; and

(d) Executive shall, at any time upon the request of Company, and in any event upon the Effective Date for any reason, immediately return and surrender to Company all originals and all copies, regardless of medium, of all algorithms, source code, system designs, data formats, forms, records, notes, memoranda, price lists, supplier lists, brochures, project materials, sales materials, manuals, letterhead, business cards and other property belonging to Company, its affiliates, or any of its clients, as the case may be, created or obtained by Executive as a result of or in the course of or in connection with Executive's employment regardless of whether such items constitute Proprietary Information. Executive acknowledges that all such materials are, and will remain, the exclusive property of Company; and

(e) All materials, inventions, discoveries, improvements or the like that Executive, individually or with others, may originate, develop or reduce to practice while employed with Company relating to the business or products of Company, Company's actual or demonstrably anticipated research or development or any work performed by Executive for Company

(individually, a "Creation" and collectively, the "Creations") shall, as between Company and Executive, belong to and be the sole property of Company. Executive hereby waives any and all "moral rights," including, but not limited to, any right to identification of authorship, right of approval on modifications or limitation on subsequent modification, that Executive may have in respect of any Creation. Executive further agrees, without further consideration, to promptly disclose each such Creation to Company and to such other individuals as Company may direct. Executive further agrees to execute and to join others in executing such applications, assignments and other documents as may be necessary or convenient to vest in Company or any client of Company, as appropriate, full title to each such Creation and as may be reasonably necessary or convenient to obtain United States and foreign patents or copyrights thereon to the extent Company or any client of Company, as appropriate, may choose. Executive further agrees to testify in any legal or administrative proceeding relative to any such Creation whenever requested to do so by Company, provided that Company agrees to reimburse Executive for any reasonable expenses incurred in providing such testimony. The foregoing covenant shall not apply to any Creation for which no equipment, supplies, facilities, or trade secret information of Company was used and which was developed entirely on Executive's own time, unless (i) the Creation relates to (A) the business of Company or (B) any actual research or development of Company or any research or development that Executive knows, as of the Effective Date, that Company plans to conduct or (ii) the Creation results from any work performed by Executive for Company; and

(f) Executive will be available on a reasonable basis consistent with and subject to Executive's other responsibilities to assist Company and its affiliates, and will upon request assist Company and its affiliates, as necessary, for a period of three (3) years (i) in order to insure the orderly transition of his duties and responsibilities and (ii) in the prosecution or defense of any claims, suits, litigation, arbitrations, investigations, or other proceedings, whether pending or threatened involving Company or any affiliate. Such assistance shall include, but not by way of limitation, attending meetings with and truthfully and completely answering questions posed by representatives of Company. Company shall reimburse Executive for his reasonable and necessary expenses incurred at the request of Company upon submission of appropriate supporting documents. In addition, if Company is not then currently obligated to make severance payments to Executive under the terms of this Agreement, Company shall compensate executive for such time at a rate of \$2,000.00 per day for providing such assistance.

6. Validity. If any one or more of the provisions (or any part thereof) of this Agreement shall be held invalid, illegal or unenforceable in any respect, the validity, legality and enforceability of the remaining provisions (or any part thereof) shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby. Each term and provision of this agreement shall be valid and enforceable to the fullest extent permitted by law and any invalid, illegal or unenforceable term or provision shall be deemed replaced by a term or provision that is valid and enforceable and that comes closest to expressing the intention of the invalid, illegal or unenforceable term or provision.

7. Entire Agreement. This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement among the parties hereto with respect to the subject matter hereof. All prior correspondence and proposals (including but not limited to summaries of proposed terms) and all prior promises, representations, understandings, arrangements and agreements relating to such subject matter (including but not limited to those made to or with Executive by any other person and those contained in the Change in Control Severance Agreement and any other prior employment, consulting or similar agreement entered into by Executive and Company or any predecessor thereto or affiliate thereof) are terminated and superseded hereby.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement as of the date and year first above written.

ANIXTER INC.

_____/s/_____ Rodney A. Smith_____

BY: Rodney A. Smith

ITS: EVP, Human Resources

_____/s/_____ Robert J. Eck_____

ROBERT J. ECK

_____/s/_____ Rodney A. Smith_____

ANIXTER INTERNATIONAL INC.

BY: Rodney A. Smith

ITS: EVP, Human Resources

[But solely for purposes of Sections 3 and 4 hereof]

**Exhibit A
FORM OF RELEASE**

Date: June 30, 2018

In consideration of the agreement of Anixter Inc. ("Company") to enter into that certain Retirement Agreement, dated as [•], with the undersigned and the promises and covenants of Company made thereunder, the undersigned, on behalf of himself and his respective heirs, representatives, executors, family members, and assigns hereby fully and forever releases and discharges Company and its past, present and future shareholders, directors, officers, employees, agents, attorneys, investors, administrators, affiliates, divisions, subsidiaries, predecessors, successors and assigns from and against, and agrees not to sue or otherwise institute or cause to be instituted any legal, alternative dispute resolution or administrative proceeding concerning, any claim, duty, obligation or cause of action relating to any matters of any kind, whether presently known or unknown, suspected or unsuspected, that he may possess arising from any omissions, acts or facts that have occurred through the date his employment terminates, including without limitation:

- A. Any and all claims relating to or arising from his employment by Company and the termination of such employment;
- B. Any and all claims for wrongful discharge, termination in violation of good policy, discrimination, breach of contract, both expressed or implied, covenants of good faith or fair dealing, both expressed or implied, promissory estoppel, negligent or intentional infliction of emotional distress, negligent or intentional misrepresentation, negligent or intentional interference with contract or prospective economic advantage, unfair business practice, defamation, libel, slander, negligence, personal injury, assault, battery, invasion of privacy, false imprisonment, or conversion;
- C. Any and all claims for violation of any federal, state or municipal statute, including, without limitation, Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Civil Rights Act of 1991, the Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967, the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, the Fair Labor Standards Act, the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, the Worker Adjustment and Retraining Notification Act, and all amendments to each such Act as well as the regulations issued thereunder;
- D. Any and all claims for attorneys' fees and costs.

The foregoing release does not release any rights Executive may have under any employee benefit plan of Company, any claims Executive may have for indemnification under applicable law or applicable by-laws, nor does it release any claims for breach of the Retirement Agreement itself or any rights or claims that arise after the date Executive signs this release.

THE UNDERSIGNED ACKNOWLEDGES THAT (I) HE HAS BEEN ADVISED BY COMPANY TO CONSULT A LAWYER OF HIS OWN CHOICE PRIOR TO EXECUTING THIS RELEASE AND HAS DONE SO OR VOLUNTARILY DECLINED TO SEEK SUCH COUNSEL, (II) HE HAS READ THIS RELEASE AND UNDERSTANDS THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS HEREOF AND THE BINDING NATURE HEREOF, (III) HE HAS HAD AT LEAST TWENTY-ONE (21) DAYS WITHIN WHICH TO CONSIDER THE TERMS OF THIS RELEASE AND EXECUTED THIS RELEASE VOLUNTARILY AND WITHOUT DURESS OR UNDUE INFLUENCE ON THE PART OF COMPANY, (IV) HE HAS SEVEN (7) DAYS TO REVOKE HIS EXECUTION OF THIS RELEASE AND THAT SUCH EXECUTION SHALL NOT BE EFFECTIVE UNTIL SEVEN (7) DAYS

FOLLOWING DELIVERY TO COMPANY, AND (V) HE UNDERSTANDS THAT HIS RIGHT TO RECEIVE CHANGES TO EQUITY VESTING UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE RETIREMENT AGREEMENT IS SUBJECT TO AND CONDITIONED ON THE UNDERSIGNED'S FULL AND COMPLETE COMPLIANCE WITH THE COVENANTS FOLLOWING HIS TERMINATION AND SUBJECT TO FULL RECOUPMENT BY COMPANY IN THE EVENT OF A VIOLATION OF ANY COVENANT.

Initially capitalized terms used in this release and defined in the Agreement shall have the meanings given to such terms under the Agreement.

____ Robert Eck _____

Printed Name

____ /s/ Robert Eck _____

Signature

Date: ____ June 30, 2018 ____

Notary

My Commission expires _____

Robert Eck
Outstanding Equity Based Grants
as of June 30, 2018
(\$ in Millions)

Equity Type	Vested Quantity	Unvested Quantity
Options (Extended to Stated Expiration Date)	258,954	—
Restricted Stock Units (Continued Vesting)	—	72,672
Performance Restricted Stock Units (Continued Vesting)	—	39,099

Consulting Agreement

This Consulting Agreement is entered into on the date listed below between Anixter Inc. (“Anixter” or “Company”) and William A. Standish (“Consultant”), and is effective on July 10, 2018.

- A. Consulting Term. Eight months and three weeks ending on March 31, 2019 (the “Consulting Term”), unless earlier terminated in accordance with Section I below.
- B. Consideration in Exchange for Consulting Services. Subject to Section I below and provided Consultant performs the consulting services described herein, Consultant would 1) be eligible to vest in unvested RSUs during the Consulting Term on Anixter’s normal vesting cycle, 2) during the Consulting Term and provided he elects COBRA at the applicable time, continue the medical and dental coverage he has in place with Anixter as of his last day of employment with Anixter, with Anixter agreeing to pay the entire COBRA premium payments during such Consulting Term. In the event of Consultant’s death before the March 1, 2019 RSU vesting, the Company will provide Consultant’s spouse with the value of his unvested RSUs which are scheduled to vest as of March 1, 2019 and 3) be provided with a \$30,000 (gross) bonus plan for the period of this Consulting Agreement. In accordance with the Anixter International Inc. 2010 Stock Incentive Plan, as amended (the “Plan”), in the event of a Change in Control (as defined in the Plan) during the Consulting Term, all RSUs held by Consultant that are outstanding as of the date immediately prior to the date of the Change of Control shall become immediately and fully vested.
- C. Independent Contractor Relationship. Consultant is retained by Company as an independent contractor. As an independent contractor, Consultant shall not be eligible to participate in any vacation, life insurance, disability, or any other fringe benefits or benefit plans offered by Company to its employees. Consultant shall have no authority to bind Company or incur other obligations on behalf of Company.
- D. Consulting Objectives. As an independent contractor, Consultant agrees to work approximately 24 hours per week on behalf of Anixter. During the Consulting Term the Consultant can work less than 24 hours in any specific week. Services performed under this Consulting Agreement will be under the direction, and at the request, of the Company’s CEO or designee.
- E. Expenses. Company shall reimburse Consultant for expenses incurred in the performance of consulting services under this Consulting Agreement consistent with Company’s travel and expense policy, such as airfare, lodging, meal, car and other incidental expenses incurred in connection with any travel Company requires as part of the performance of services.
- F. Assignment. Consultant shall not assign or subcontract any of his rights, duties or obligations under this Consulting Agreement to any other person without Company’s prior written consent.
- G. Works Made for Hire. Consultant agrees that all methodologies, implementation plans, computer programs, documentation, and other copyrightable works created by Consultant during the term of this Consulting Agreement and materially related to Company’s business shall be considered “works made for hire” under the copyright laws of the United States. In addition, Consultant hereby transfers and assigns to Company all rights in the copyrights embodied in such materials. Consultant further agrees that, during and after the term of this Consulting Agreement, Consultant will execute any additional assignments or other documents reasonably necessary to vest full ownership to Company.
- H. Non-Compete Agreement. Consultant will be required to sign Company’s Confidentiality, Non-Compete and Non-Solicitation Agreement form (“Non-Compete Agreement”) included herein as Appendix A. The Non-Compete Agreement must be signed by Consultant prior to or concurrent with the execution of this Consulting Agreement.
- I. Termination. Consultant may terminate this Consulting Agreement for any reason upon 30 days’ written notice. The parties may mutually agree in writing to extend the term of this Consulting Agreement.

I have read this Consulting Agreement and accept the consulting assignment as outlined.

/s/ William A. Standish 6/19/2018 /s/ William A. Galvin 6/25/18
 William A. Standish Date William A. Galvin Date

Appendix A

CONFIDENTIALITY, NON-COMPETE AND NON-SOLICITATION AGREEMENT

This Confidentiality, Non-Compete and Non-Solicitation Agreement (“Non-Compete Agreement”) is made by and between Anixter Inc., its subsidiaries and affiliates (collectively, the “Company”) and William A. Standish (the “Consultant”).

WHEREAS Anixter has retained Consultant to perform certain services pursuant to the terms and conditions set forth in a Consulting Agreement effective July 10, 2018;

NOW THEREFORE, as a condition of and in consideration of the Consulting Agreement, and other good and valuable consideration, including access to the Company’s Confidential and Proprietary Information, acknowledged herein as sufficient, Consultant agrees as follows:

- Confidential and Proprietary Information Obtained During Consulting Period. Consultant shall not use or disclose to any person or entity, directly or indirectly, other than in the regular and proper course of the Company’s business, any confidential or proprietary information, knowledge or data about the Company’s business, that is not in the public domain, learned or obtained by Consultant while contracted by the Company, concerning prices paid and arrangements made with suppliers, prices obtained and margins earned from customers, customer lists, key decision makers and contacts at customers, budgets and sales, marketing or vendor strategies, information concerning prospective customers, quotations, bids or proposals to customers and prospective customers, employee information, compensation structures, bonus or other incentive program information or any other information, knowledge or data, the use or disclosure of which might harm the Company (all of the foregoing referred to herein collectively as “Confidential and Proprietary Information”), except as required by law, in which case Consultant shall give the Company prompt written notice of any such proposed use or disclosure.
 - Return of Company Property Upon Conclusion of Consulting Agreement. All files, documents, records, data or other material, whether in electronic or non-electronic form, pertaining to Consultant’s work with the Company, which come into Consultant’s possession, are the Company’s exclusive property to be used only in the performance of Consultant’s duties for the Company and shall not be copied or removed from the Company’s premises except for the Company’s business. Consultant shall return all such materials, including all copies, to the Company upon the earlier of a request by the Company, the expiration of the Consulting Agreement, or termination of the Consulting Agreement, whether such termination is occasioned by Consultant or by the Company, with or without cause.
 - Non-Competition. During the term of the Consulting Agreement and for an additional twelve (12) month period after the last day on which Consultant performs consulting services under the Consulting Agreement agreed upon between the parties, Consultant shall not, directly or indirectly, accept employment with or otherwise render service, in the capacity of a management role or in any other capacity where Consultant’s duties and responsibilities are the same or similar to those Consultant previously had at the Company, to any corporation, business, or entity that competes with the Company in connection with the distribution or sale of any products, components or services which are the same or similar to those distributed or sold by the Company.
 - Non-Solicitation of Customers, Suppliers and Employees. During the term of the Consulting Agreement and for an additional twelve (12) month period after the last day on which Consultant performs consulting services under the Consulting Agreement agreed upon between the parties, Consultant shall not solicit or attempt to solicit any business from any of the Company’s customers or suppliers with whom he had material contact, and shall not recruit, solicit or assist any employee of the Company to leave their employment with the Company and to accept employment or any other relationship with a business that distributes or sells any products, components or services which are the same or similar to those distributed or sold by the Company.
 - Enforcement and Construction. The restrictions contained in this Non-Compete Agreement are necessary to protect the Company’s valuable information and business interests, and the restrictions are reasonable for such purpose. If any part, term or provision of this Non-Compete Agreement is held by the courts to be illegal or unenforceable, the validity of the remaining parts, terms or provisions shall not be affected, and the rights and obligations of the parties shall be construed and enforced as if the Non-Compete Agreement did not contain the particular part, term or provision held to be invalid. If any part, term or provision of this Non-Compete Agreement is determined by a court to be overbroad as written, Consultant specifically agrees and authorizes that said covenants and obligations shall be enforced to the extent reasonable, whether said revisions be in time, territory or scope of prohibited activities, in order to preserve their enforceability.
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6. Term of Non-Compete Agreement. The term of this Non-Compete Agreement shall commence on July 10, 2018, and shall remain in effect for the duration of the Consulting Agreement, except that Consultant's obligations contained in paragraphs 1, 3 and 4 of this Non-Compete Agreement shall survive the termination or expiration of this Non-Compete Agreement, for any reason, and shall continue in effect thereafter.

7. Governing Law. The validity and construction of this Non-Compete Agreement or any of its provisions shall be determined under the laws of the State of Illinois.

8. Entire Agreement. This Non-Compete Agreement contains the entire agreement of the parties and supersedes all prior agreements, written or oral, between Consultant and the Company relating to the subject matter of this Agreement. This Non-Compete Agreement may not be changed orally but only by an agreement in writing signed by Consultant and the Company.

Consultant **Anixter Inc.**

By: /s/ William A. Standish By: /s/ William A. Galvin
William A. Standish William A. Galvin

Date: 6/19/18 Its: President and CEO

Date: 6/25/18

PRESIDENT AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER CERTIFICATION

I, William A. Galvin, certify that:

- (1) I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of Anixter International Inc.;
- (2) Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- (3) Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- (4) The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
 - a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
 - b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
 - c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
 - d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
- (5) The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

July 26, 2018

/s/ William A. Galvin

William A. Galvin

President and Chief Executive Officer

EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT – FINANCE AND CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER CERTIFICATION

I, Theodore A. Dosch, certify that:

- (1) I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of Anixter International Inc.;
- (2) Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- (3) Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- (4) The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
 - a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
 - b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
 - c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
 - d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
- (5) The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

July 26, 2018

/s/ Theodore A. Dosch

Theodore A. Dosch
Executive Vice President-Finance and
Chief Financial Officer

**CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350, AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO
SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002**

In connection with the quarterly report of Anixter International Inc. (the "Company") on Form 10-Q for the period ending June 29, 2018 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report") I, William A. Galvin, President and Chief Executive Officer of the Company, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Sec. 1350, as adopted pursuant to Sec. 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that to my knowledge:

- (1) The Report fully complies with the requirements of section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
- (2) The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

/s/ William A. Galvin

William A. Galvin

President and Chief Executive Officer

July 26, 2018

**CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350, AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO
SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002**

In connection with the quarterly report of Anixter International Inc. (the "Company") on Form 10-Q for the period ending June 29, 2018 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report") I, Theodore A. Dosch, Executive Vice President-Finance and Chief Financial Officer of the Company, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Sec. 1350, as adopted pursuant to Sec. 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that to my knowledge:

- (1) The Report fully complies with the requirements of section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
- (2) The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

/s/ Theodore A. Dosch

Theodore A. Dosch
Executive Vice President-Finance
and Chief Financial Officer
July 26, 2018